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Was Notified by Cable at Honolulu That Egypt Had Joined the League.

SIR J. HENNIKER HEATON, K. C. M. G. M. P., for Canterbury, arrived at Victoria yesterday morning by steamer Miowera en route to England from a trip to Australia and Fiji in which colony his son is employed in the civil service, and in an interview given to a Colonist reporter he expressed his delight because of a cablegram he had received when at Honolulu from Saba Pasha, post-master general of Egypt, stating that Egypt had entered the league for universal penny postage. Sir Henniker Heaton is famed world-wide because of the movement he has done so much for; it is his life work.

He is still working diligently seeking to perfect the league so that any inhabitant of the planet, white, black or yellow, may be enabled for the sum of one penny to communicate with any other, at the lowest possible rate and the highest attainable speed; Englishman with Frenchman, German, Italian or Russian; European with American; Asiatic with Australian or African; so that when one soul has something to say to another, neither color, nor religion, nor greed, nor diplomacy nor national antipthy nor latitude, nor longitude, nor poverty, nor any other barrier shall stand between them.

Brotherhood of Nations

He said: "The hour has struck for this grand yet simple assertion of the brotherhood of nations; of a change which threatens no interest, and benefits all mankind. Since 1898, when Imperial penny postage was introduced, our outward mails have nearly doubled. Every Friday some 250,000 British letters pass through France and Italy for India, Hong Kong and Australasia—12,000 miles. The postage on each of these letters is 1d. By the same boat a few British letters are carried for residets in Calais—21 miles; and on these letters the postage is 2½d.! By what perverse ingenuity can such a distinction be justified? Or why should a letter to New York cost 2½, and another in the same bag be carried through that city and 1,000 miles into Canada for 1d?

"That thought can be fairly taxed at a Custom house none will affirm. Opium can be weighed, whisky tested; but what scales are delicate enough to weigh the products of the human mind? That an English letter should be taxed because it is addressed to a Frenchman is a policy unworthy of the age. This is not an argument for the benefit of the "foreigner," since a letter benefits not only the addressee, but even more the sndr. And if so, can it be contended that 10,000 letters sent to Canadians benefit us more than as many addressed to Americans! I maintain that the trade and commerce resulting from cheap postage will amply compensate for any initial loss.

"That the moment for action has arrived is indicated by the fact that my friend, Sir J. G. Ward, postmaster-general for New Zealand, is to move a resolution for universal penny postage in the Postal Union Congress at Rome next year. It cannot be too soon or too clearly shown that this doughty reformer is speaking with the public opinion of the Mother country behind him."

Britishers in Sympathy

Sir Henniker Heaton says his movement has many well known Britishers in sympathy with it, including the Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Roberts, Rudyard Kipling, and others whose names are equally if not better known, a list of whom would cover two columns of print. Some short-sighted ones argue that as the Empire had penny postage why extend it to foreigners and the 'intelligent foreigner' also argues that England with her large population scattered about the Empire would be the gainer by the scheme. Such arguments are based on the fallacy that it is possible to reduce the postage paid by the senders of letters without benefitting the recipients. But with penny postage not a single additional ship, train, cart, horse or man is required. Sorters will not work an hour longer. The existing machinery is ample.

Of course it is well known that the principal post offices in Europe, Asia, and Africa are worked at a profit. The British post office had a surplus of over $24,000,000 last year. The United States postmaster general made a profit last year of $30,000,000 on letters, but lost $50,000,000 by conveying, free of charge, or nearly free, newspapers and books. When he treats printed matter less generously he will be in a position to be just to letter writers. A dozen other countries made large profits. An excessive postal surplus is bad finance. It is right to tax luxuries especially pernicious luxuries. But it is culpable to levy taxation of a repressive character on the communications of the people.

Some of the leading nations have already adopted international penny postage as between themselves and neigaboring countries. More than a quarter of a century ago Canada and the United States formed a "restricted union," the inland postage in each country franking also letters despatched to the other. For a generation Americans have paid two cents for a letter to Canada and five cents for a letter to England. There are several of similar restricted unions, between Germany and Austria. But still it costs Britons more to send a letter from Dover to Calais than it does to send a letter from Dover to Shanghai. It would cost Britain $625,000 to establish penny postage to the United States. What is this when it is considered that citizens of the United States of British origin sent last year to poor relatives in the United Kingdom, £1,559,579 in money orders ranging in value from five shillings to five pounds.

Visit to Australia

Speaking of his visit to Australia, Sir Henniker Heatin said that although the resources were there development was retarded in Australia because of the lack of confidence felt by the people in the government. There was altogether too much of parliaments in Australia. There were no less than fourteen houses of parliament with some 700 members, all drawing from $1,500 to $2,000 a year and traveling and other expenses. And the people, good people they are too, have not much confidnce in the government of all these parliaments. As an instance he stated that the day following the defeat of the labor party in Western Australia a prominent Western Australian gave orders for the erection of ten buildngs. The country has recovered entirely from the drought and Australia, relieved of the curse of overmuch politics, will advance.

Sir Henniker Heaton is hurrying home because of the change in the British government. Speaking with regard to the new cabinet he said Lloyd-George, the new president of the board of trade, was a man of exceptional ability. Mr. Buxton, the new postmaster-general, was a friend and in sympathy with his great work. Sir Henniker, himself an ardent Chamberlainite, said he did not think the new government would last long. He thought

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Artillery Kills 500

Meeting of Workmen at Moscow Bombarded With Cannons.

Slaughter Was Continued Until Survivors Surrendered to Soldiers.

Revolutionists Beslege Residence of Chief of Police and Use Bombs.

MOSCOW, Dec. 23.—Two bombs were thrown at the prefecture of police this morning, partially destroying that building. Two policemen were killed and a score wounded.

Serious fighting is reported between the angry crowd and a force of dragoons.

One hundred and twenty revolutionaries were arrested today at the Fidelei school. Resistance was offered and 500 persons were killed and 20 wounded.

Troops surrounded the school house, where workmen were meeting, and summoned them to surrender.

Blank shots were fired to intimidate the workmen, who replied with revolver shots and bombs.

Artillery was then brought up and the school house was bombarded until the survivors of the workmen surrendered.

Twenty-two officers were killed and a number of officers and policemen were disarmed in the streets and several policemen were killed.

The troops have now occupied all the barricades. In one case they fired on the revolutionists from the steps of a church.

Revolutionists armed with bombs and revolvers are now besieging the residence of the prefect.

The council of workmen today granted permission of the banks to continue work and for the bakers to make bread; but it subsequently ordered a resumption of the armed revolt for 6 o'clock tonight.

Strike in St. Petersburg

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—(5:35 p. m.)—Trains have continued to run on all the lines out of St. Petersburg today. Meetings of every description, even those of the "law and order" party, are being prevented.

For the present the imperial bank at Riga has been forced to cease gold payments, owing to the impossibility of shipping gold coin through.

The Finnish railroad employees have decided against joining the Russian strike.

The fears that the revolt in Lithuania will extend to Poland have become so acute that Governor-General Skallon at Warsaw, acting under authority of the imperial ukase of November 24, has declared that a state of siege exists in the ten Polish provinces. Uhlans of the guard and the Empress' Own regiment have been despatched to Courtland.

A telegram dated from Riga announces the arrival there of two battalions of riflemen and a battery of machine guns.

It is understood that the strike leaders in their desperation have decided to resort to violent tactics to blow up the bridges and the right-of-way of the railroads leading out of St. Petersburg.

Bomb Thrower Stung

The first attempt at the use of bombs, with which the revolutionaries are well supplied, was made on Schlusselburg avenue. A revolutionist was about to throw a bomb at a passing patrol which was escorting non-union workmen to the Sommannikopf mills, when it exploded, blowing off the man's arm. He was then taken into custody.

Confidence in the failure of the strike was reflected on the bourse today, which for the first time in four weeks was actually buoyant, with all issues rising sharply. Imperial fours improved half a point, closing at 70½, and lotteries rose from 380 to 400.

New Electoral Laws

The Emperor and his cabinet last night reached a final decision regarding the electoral law directing against universal and equitable suffrage and in favor of the extension of the law promulgated August 19 last, to include, in addition to the small land-owners in the country, the workmen and the educated classes, the small rent payers in the cities. The details of this law were covered at the time in these despatches.

In high government circles the greatest confidence is expressed that the general strike will fail. So far as St. Petersburg is concerned the battle is going against the revolutionaries.

Strike Is Not a Success

Unless better results are obtained elsewhere or the fight enters on a new phase, the leaders will be compelled to beat a general retreat in order to save their prestige. In spite of the herculean efforts of the local officers to cheer on their followers, the past forty-eight hours have not produced any extension of the strike. What was gained yesterday by the strike of the printers, which was incomplete, was offset by the return to work of 10,000 men in Seminofsky mills and the announcement that 12,000 employees of the Putiloff iron works would go back Monday. The main hope of the strikers rests on Moscow, to which all eyes are turned and where the tie-up is practically complete.

Printers Fail to Hold

Though the printers' union is one of the most advanced and most thoroughly organized unions in Russia, it is unable to enforce the newspaper strike. The Novoe Vremya, Slovo and other conservative papers expect to appear today.

The pan-Russian congress of the league of leagues is scheduled to be held in St. Petersburg tomorrow, but owing to the strike few of the delegates are present and the meeting will probably be postponed, like the zemstvo congress, until January. With the political strike as a revolutionary weapon apparently losing its keenness owing to too frequent use, fears are entertained that the revolutionists may be driven to return to the old methods and inaugurate an era of terrorism. The government is aware that a number of high agents of the revolutionary organization at Geneva recently returned to Russia, and increased precautions are being taken to safeguard all in authority at St. Petersburg and Tsarskoe-Selo.

150,000 on Strike

Telephone messages from Moscow say that 150,000 men are on strike there, and that the city is already feeling the pinch of hunger that many bakeries have been sacked and that all business is suspended, even the banks are closed. Only the St. Petersburg and Kieff and

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THOUSANDS KILLED AND WOUNDED AT MOSCOW

MOSCOW.—(Midnight).—The situation hourly is growing worse. The insurgents hold several quarters of the city and fighting continues desperately. Two large arms stores have been pillaged and the weapons distributed among the men who have erected barricades along the Sadova, which encircles the city. The military has succeeded in isolating various sections, preventing communication. From the heights, colored signal rockets are showing instructions to the isolated commanders.

The search lights on the Soukaroff and other towers illuminate the streets where the fighting is proceeding. The roar of cannon continues. Machine guns are being employed to clear the Sadova It is impossible to estimate the dead and wounded, but they will probably run into the thousands. In a square in the heart of the city, the insurgents are making a desperate fight from houses, using an English machine gun from the window against a battery which is cannonading them.

Pacific Coast Happenings

Man Ground to Pieces by a Street Car Derailed at Tacoma.

Steamer Portland Ashore Near Ketchikan and May Be Total Loss.

TACOMA, Dec. 23.—A South Tacoma street car jumped the track on the curve at Thirty-eighth street this morning and struck a man who was waiting to board the car. The man was ground to pieces under the wheels. At first it was thought that a dog had been killed, but finally a pair of boots, a lunch box and a five-cent piece were found. The car ploughed into the ground a foot deep and the skull and bones of the unfortunate victim were reduced to bits. It was several hours before the car could be raised. In the meanwhile the wives of fully a hundred men stood around the wrecked car, each thinking that the dead man was her husband. At 12 o'clock the victim was identified as Edmund Amiot, a machinist living in South Tacoma.

Steamer Portland Wrecked

Seattle, Dec. 23.—The Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Portland is ashore on Spire, nine miles south of Ketchikan. The steamer is leaking badly and may be a total loss. Despatches say that the water is now above the boilers and that the passengers have been taken to Ketchikan in small boats. It is thought that the ship struck in a dense fog. The Portland is one of the oldest vessels on the northern run. She was en route here from Valdez and Seward when the accident occurred.

Mysterious Disappearance

Seattle, Dec. 23.—Charles A. Chambers, bookkeeper for the H. L. Jenkins Lumber Company, Blaine, Wash., has disappeared and is believed to have met with foul play on the afternoon of December 1 at Bellingham. He left Blaine the day previous to seek employment in Bellingham. His books are accurate to the cent. He had much money upon him when last seen.

Earthquake at Bakersfield

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 23.—A heavy shock of earthquake was felt in this city at 2:30 o'clock this morning, continuing for six seconds. The shock was from east to west. Several buildings were cracked.

Collins Jury Hung Up

San Francisco, December 23.—The jury in the Collins case disagreed. They stood nine for acquittal and three for conviction.

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Burned Drafts Worth Thousands

Misadventures at the Terminal City of Paper Worth $9,000

Police Are Unable to Secure Witness Wanted in Poisoning Case.

From Our Own Correspondent.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23.—A remarkable story of the burning of bank drafts is told by a former Klondiker, Arthur Stone. Mr. Stone got several drafts at the bank here a few days ago, amounting to $9,600. He was leaving the city and handed the drafts to a young lady for safe-keeping. She put them in her pocket-book and attended a dance. At the dance she lost the pocketbook. The pocketbook was picked up by two little girls, who, thinking the papers were unimportant, threw them into the fire. A reward of $300 was offered for their recovery. A man named E. Barns claimed the reward, telling what had become of the papers and giving bonds to the bank that they would not turn up. The bank paid the money, and Burns got the $300.

The Jackson Poisoning Case

All attempts to hold Fisher, alias Jones, who is mixed up suspiciously in the Jackson poisoning case, so far have proved unavailing. He was held on a charge of perjury in Blaine. As this was not an extraditable offence, he was liberated. While another charge was being prepared by the Vancouver police authorities, he again disappeared. His supposed mother, Mrs. Jones, together with Mrs. Jackson, wife of the dead man, are still in jail here, held on a charge of perjury.

FOOTBALL GETS FINAL KICK.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Columbia university faculty today definitely abolished football at Columbia, and President Butler was recommended by the Council to take steps to eliminate all intercollegiate sport at the institution.

TO PENSION AGED EMPLOYEES.

New York, Dec. 23.—At respective meetings today of the board of directors of the New York Central, the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, the Michigan Central and the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis railways, each of these companies decided to establish a pension bureau to take care of superannuated employees.

Dominion News Notes

Cabinet Considers Proposal to Extend Atlantic Mail Contract.

Canadian Flour Losing Ground in Japan—Grand Trunk Telegraphs.

A Word of Encouragement to Shareholders in York County Co.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—The cabinet today considered the proposed extension of the contract for the Atlantic mail service, now held by the Allans, but withheld decision until next week.

The Grand Trunk railway people are seeking a separate charter to do general telegraph business.

D. G. MacDonnell, of Vancouver, gives notice of application to parliament for a charter for the Vancouver & Northwestern railway to build a line from Vancouver to Fort George by way of Pitt, Lillooet, Shave and Harrison rivers.

Seasonable weather prevailed for Christmas and mechants report a splendid week for business.

Canadian Flour in Japan

Mr. Maclean, Canada's agent in Japan, reports that the imports of Canadian flour for the year ending September shows $55,118, as against $71,065 for the same time last year. The decrease is on account of the American supply being obtained at a lower price.

The Grand Trunk Pacific is going into the telegraph business. An application appears in Today's Canada Gazette by the Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraph Company for an act of incorporation. Power is also asked for wireless and cable business.

Idle Stonemason's Suicide

Toronto, Dec. 23.—John Miller, a stonemason, 28 years of age, out of work, strangel himself to death in his bedroom last night. He leaves a widow and two children.

York County Loan Co.'s Assets

St. Catharines, Dec. 23.—Mayor Sharpe has informed local shareholders of the York County Loan Company that he has been assured by Mr. Cross, accountant, appointed by the government to investigate, that holders of terminating shares would in all probability receive one hundred cents on the dollar. Until terminating shareholders are paid the holders of permanent shares will not get a dollar. Dr. Jessop, M.P.P., has also assured the shareholders trat he has just visited the company's real estate and is very well impressed with it.

Hotel Man Beheaded

Woodstock, Dec. 23.—The body of Henry Herlich, proprietor of the C. P. R. hotel here, was found lying between the rails near the C. P. R. station last night with the head completely severed from the body. How the accident occurred is not known.

Boundary Ore Shipments

Phoenix, Dec. 23.—Boundary ore shipments for the past week follow: Granby mines to Granby smelter, 18,533 tons; Mother Lode to B. C. copper smelter, 2,656 tons; Brooklyn Stemwinder to Dominion copper smelter, 1,395 tons; Rawhide to Dominion copper smelter, 53 tons; Sunset to Dominion copper smelter, 403 tons; Emma to Nelson smelter, 264 tons; Oro Denoro to Granby smelter, 6 ton; total output for the week, 23,470 tons; total for the year to date 907,033 tons. This week Boundary smelters treated as follows: Granby smelter, 6 tons; total output for the pany's smelter, 3,072 tons; Dominion Copper Company's smelter, 1,991 tons; total treatment for the week, 23,910 tons; total for the year to date, 922,160 tons.

CHESS TOURNEY ENDS.

New York, Dec. 23.—The fourteenth international chess tournament between Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton ended today, when Harvard was declared the Winner, Yale being second, Columbia third and Princeton fourth.

A CANADIAN CANDIDATE.

London, Dec. 23.—Donald McMaster, a well known Montreal lawyer, now practicing in London, has been nominated by the Conservatives of Leigh district, Lancashire.

LORD STRATHCONA SAILS.

Leaves for Canada on Cunard Liner Campania.

London, Dec. 23.—Lord Strathcona sailed today for Canada on the Cunard liner Campania. Before leaving, his Lordship said he would be back again in four weeks. The object of his visit to Canada was not stated.

COLOMBIAN CONSPIRATORS.

Buena Ventura, Colombia, Dec. 23.—The arrested leaders of the recent conspiracy against the Colombian government are being tried by court-martial. The government announces that it is in a position to suppress any revolutionary movement. The contracts for the construction of railroads by foreign companies have been approved by President Riaz.

POWDER HOUSE EXPLOSION.

Three Thousand Pounds of Dynamite Causes Great Destruction.

Magnolia, W. Va., Dec. 23.—A terrific explosion of 3,000 pounds of dynamite stored in the powder house of McCoy & Nugent's camp near Magnolia, 23 miles east of Cumberland, where the contractors are finishing the tunnel of the Western Maryland railroad extension occurred last night, wiping out the powder house and wrecking the blacksmith shop, eight cars and part of the track. James Dixon, powder man of the camp, is missing and it is supposed he was blown to pieces Just before the explosion he went to fix the fire in the powder house stove to keep the dynamite from freezing. Although the blacksmith shop was blown up a mule housed there for the night was uninjured.

Xmas Car Service

Cars Will Commence Running at 9.00 A. M.

The regular week day service will be given on all lines with the exception of Beacon Hill and Douglas streets, where a 20-minute service will be given.

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the defeat of the government would come on the home-rule question. Mr. Heaton added that he was an out-and-out Chamberlainite. He expected that the Chamberlain party would be defeated at the next general elections because they were extremely unpopular. He thought, however, they would come back with a strong minority. The feeling in England regarding Chinese on the Rand question was dying out. The Transvaal would be given its own contribution, and its legislators would settle the matter in their own way—a way which no Liberal government in England would dare to interfere with.

IN PRAISE OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

Very few medicines have received so much praise and so many expressions of gratitude as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Grateful parents everywhere testify to its merits. It is a certain cure for croup and will prevent the attack if given at the first appearance of the disease. It is especially adapted to children, as it is pleasant to take and contains nothing injurious. Mr. E. A. Humphreys, a well known resident and clerk in the store of Mr. E. Lock, of Alice, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to ward off croup and colds in my family. I found it to be very satisfactory, and it gives me pleasure to recommend it." For sale by all druggists.

A COPE IN DANGER.

Perugia, Italy, Dec. 23.—Some excitement has been caused over the alleged discovery that an attempt was recently made to steal the cope of Pope Marioliss II from Gubbio, near here. The cope is five centuries old.

EIGHT MINERS KILLED.

Fall of Iron Ore Causes Death to Many in Michigan.

Ironwood, Mich., Dec. 23.—Eight men were killed today by a fall of 1,000 tons of ore from a slip on the 1,300-foot level of the Newport mine in Ironwaad. On account of the great danger from the drifting of ore and broken timbers several days will elapse before all the bodies are recovered. The accident is the most extensive that has ever occurred in the Gogebec iron range.

Artillery Kills 500

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Voronech railway lines are open. There have been some attacks upon strikers, especially on student leaders, by the people and two girls were stripped naked and turned loose in the cold in the vicinity of the Jewish market. Considerable street fighting has occurred at Moscow as the result of attempts of the troops and the police to break up processions. The revolutionists resisted at several places and erected barricades which the dragoons and infantry carried by storm. At some places only blank shells were fired by the troops and eleven men were killed and 80 wounded. Altogether the casualties at Moscow yesterday are estimated at 150. In addition, wholesale arrests were made.

From the small towns along the railways come reports of attacks on street railway men. At Elnia seven families were butchered and two detectives were lynched near Kursk.

Appeal to the Men

The organ of the Moscow workmen has appealed to the men to avoid assuming an aggressive attitude, saying that even if the troops fired, "await the signal for armed resistance."

Here in St. Petersburg there is little change in the situation. Several collisions between workmen and troops have occurred, in which several of the former were killed or wounded and many agitators were arrested in their lodgings during the night. With the exception of the official organ only the Novoe Vremya Slovo appear.

Nemecahieff, the minister of communications has received a telegram from the employees of his old road the Southwestern, saying they will keep that system open.

KING OF ALL COUGH MEDICINES.

Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects. We are never without it in the house." For sale by all druggists.

D'ANNUNZEO'S MARRIAGE.

Application for Divorce Has Been Refused by Swiss Court.

Rome, Dec. 23.—Advices from Switzerland are to the effect that the federal court has rejected the application of Gabrielle D'Annunzeo, the dramatist, for annulment of his marriage with the former Princess Digallez. It has been rumored for some time that D'Annunzeo desires a separation from his wife in order that he might marry the Marquese Delcarlotti, a daughter of the former Italian premier, Marquis Diruttinii.

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery. 23

To Build North.—In connection with the proposed northern extension of the Vancouver, Westminster & Yukon railway, which is to run north to a point at or near Fort George and to meet the Grand Trunk Pacific, an intersting announcement is made today says the Vancouver World. Mr. W. R. McNeill, of the V., W. & Y., states that he will be in Victoria at the meeting of the house to urge the passing of the subsidy asked. The moment the subsidy is assured, Mr. McNeill states, construction will be commenced and pushed forward with all possible speed and without let-up until the whole road is completed. Mr. McNeill expects to have the undivided support of all the Vancouver members of the house as well as those representing constituencies taht will be immediately interested in the proposed road.

Festivties for Christmas Day

In All Public Institutions of the City Merriment Will Reign.

Arrangements for the Various Events—No One Will Be Neglected.

The Christmas Day festivities throughout the city tomorrow will include all the public institutions, a plentiful supply of good cheer being provided to make all the inmates happy.

With the closing of the schools many instances of the goodwill existing between the scholars and pupils was shown by the presentations which were made to the teachers. Among those who were remembered by their scholars were S. J. Willis of the High School staff and Miss A. D. Cameron, late of the South Park school. The former was presented with a handsome marble clock and cut-crystal bowl. The presentation was made in the presence of all the faculty and the scholars, and Principal Paul made a few appropriate remarks, wishing him not only the compliments of the season, but long life and prosperity. Mr. Willis reponded in a few remarks, in which he wished all present a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

A number of the pupils of the South Park school took occasion to present their late principal with a handsome gold ring, with the best wishes of the season and as a reminder of the many pleasant days they have enjoyed under her tuition.

The many charitable associations have made preparations to entertain in a manner suitable to the occasion. Through the agency of the Friendly Help Association a number of the needy of Victoria have been supplied with Christmas cheer. The donations to this good cause were obtained from some in Victoria who realized that there are some not as fortunate as themselves, and also by the good offices of the school children. With the energetic committee of the association at work it is safe to say that there will be very few families in the city who will be without the good things which go to make up Christmas.

At the Protestant Orphans' Home special arrangements have been made. The home has been beautifully decorated and the children at the institution will be treated to their annual entertainment.

The inmates of the Home for the Aged and Infirm and also the Old Ladies' Home have been similarly attended to.

At the Jubilee Hospital the celebration will take up both days. For this afternoon the Daughters of Pity have arranged a very appropriate programme, which will consist of both vocal and instrumental music. The first item on the programme will be called at 3 o'clock, and the following is the programme:

Quartette—Adestes Fideles .....
Misses Sehl, Messrs. White and F. Sehl.
Bass Solo—Noel ..... Mr. Olivier
Hymn—Once in Royal David's City..Choir
Solo—Light of Lights .....
.....Mrs. Duncan Campbell
Violin Solo—Romance...Mr. Arthur Ward
Solo—Nazareth ..... Miss Sehl
Solo ..... Mr. J. G. Brown
Closing Hymn — While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks at Night..Choir

Tomorrow the annual dinner will take place at the hospital. At this reunion the board of directors are always represented and are always made to feel at home by those who have charge of the affairs. The Daughters of Pity have also arranged to have those who are unable to leave their rooms attended to in a manner appropriate to the occasion.

The unfortunates who are confined in the provincial jail and the city lock-up will also be remembered. At the provincial jail Warden Mutter has made elaborate preparations for the event, and those who are confined at that place will be made to feel that they are remembered, and will make their Christmas as happy as their surroundings will permit. Special attention has been given to the catering for the day. The menu that has been provided for the occasion is as follows:

MENU

Breakfast

Boiled Mutton Chops French Fried Potatoes. Coffee and Milk.

Dinner

Porter's Prime Roast Beef with Brown Gravey.
Vegetables.
Boiled Onions; White Sauce. Cabbage. Topaz Parsnips. Mashed Potatoes.
Sweets.
English Plum Pudding; Vanilla Sauce.
Dessert.
Bellflower Apples. Japan Oranges. Nuts, Candies, etc.

Tea

Lipton's Best Tea, with Milk.
Smith's Best White Bread, with Butter. Black Currant and Strawberry Jam.

At tht city lock-up the unfortunates will also be well attended to, and nothing will be left undone to make them happy in their unpleasant surroundings.

The W. C. T. U. have also arranged to have a big spread in their mission hall on Yates street tomorrow, to which all those who visit the hall are invited, along with their friends.

Although the children at the Orphans' Home will have their Christmas dinner tomorrow, and also receive a visit from Santa Claus tonight, the big day will be Thursday, when they have their annual Christmas tree.

The Salvation Army have had their Christmas entertainment, which as usual was a big success. The tree was well laden with both useful and ornamental presents, which will tend to gladden the hearts of a number of Victorians.

At the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home the entertainment will take place on "Boxing Day," December 27, when the home will be the scene of much merriment. It is intended to have an "At Home," commencing at 5 p.m. The strong committee which has this affair in hand guarantee its success, and it is expected that this will eclipse the many successful gatherings already held at the home. Everybody is cordially welcome.

On board ship at Esquimalt the jackies will have their extra allowance today. A good time is always had by those on board, and it is not likely that this year will be any exception. In fact it is expected that on H. M. S. Egeria the merry-making will not only be for Christmas, but also in celebrating the victory of their football team over Ladysmith yesterday afternoon.

At Work Point members of the garrison will celebrate in "the good old style," as one of the soldiers very expressively stated. "We'll have plenty to eat and lots to drink," he remarked; "in fact, I think the celebration will continue for several days." In the morning the garrison will attend services at St. Saviour's Church, where Rev. C. E. Cooper, the rector, will deliver an appropriate sermon.

The annual Christmas treats of the various Sunday schools have already commenced. The Metropolitan Methodist Church Sunday school held theirs on Friday evening. During next week several will be held. The St. Andrews Presbyterian Church will hold theirs on Tuesday evening. A Christmas tree will be provided for the children, after which a concert will be given.

Next Friday is the evening selected by the First Presbyterian Church for their annual cantata. The scholars have been arranging for this event for a number of weeks past, and a very enjoyable evening is looked for.

On Wednesday evening next the Sunday school children of St. Andrews cathedral will be entertained by their teachers. There will be a light luncheon for the lower classes at 3 p. m., and for the higher classes at 6:30 p. m.

Another Christmas entertainment was that given by the A. O. U. W. in the Victoria Hall during the past week. The entertainment was arranged for the children of members and deceased members of the society, and it was attended by several hundred children. The arrangements were very complete and everything was carried out without a hitch. Two large Christmas trees were laden with presents for everyone. The lodge goat was brought into use and was attached to the cart that was occupied by Santa Claus. The presents from the trees were distributed by Santa Claus, after which the young folks were entertained by a magic lantern exhibition.

STEEL BUSINESS IS BOOMING.

Big Trust Has on Its Books Orders Aggregating 7,300,000 Tons.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Iron Age says: The report that the United States steel corporation has on its books orders aggregating over 7,300,000 tons is true. No one fact could better serve to show the condition of the steel works and rolling mills of the country, since it is well known that the other large companies are similarly committed for their full capacity for a long period to come. The policy of the United States steel corporation in handling its pig iron purchases will be guided by a determination to prevent any undue rise in prices. Whatever metal is available will be taken, but if there is a shortage to cover requirements the latter will be scaled down. The steel corporation is making about 900,000 tons per month, and needs from 30,000 tons to 40,000 tons of outside iron per month, running at the present rate.

IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH SMITH.

Monument Erected at Birthplace of Founder of Mormon Church.

South Royalton, Vt., Dec. 23.—In memory of Jos. Smith, prophet and founder of the Mormon faith, who was born 100 years ago, a monument which had been erected on the site of his birthplace in the town of Sharon was dedicated today. President Jos. F. Smith and a party of about fifty officials of the Mormon church and the representatives of the Smith family were present. The exercises were informal and consisted of addresses by several of the Mormon officials. The monument was unveiled by Miss Abbie Wells, daughter of Julien E. Wells, a prominent Utah Mormon with whom the project originated.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

MARRIED

PENKETH-SMITH—On December 13, at St. James' church, Vancouver, George William Penketh, Vancouver, and Edith Maud Smith, of Saanich.

DIED

BERRYMAN—At the family residence, 14 Franklin street, on the 23rd instant, Charles Berryman, a native of St. Erto, Cornwall, England; aged 44 years.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday, December 26, at 2:30 p. m., from the residence, as above.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

DOBBIN—On the 4th of December, very suddenly, in London, Eng., Thomas Sydney Dobbin, of May Bush House, Felixstowe, Suffolk, late of the Admiralty and Esquimalt, and beloved father of Mrs. D. B. McDougall, Canaan Lodge, Edinburgh; aged 69.

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Result of First Grand Prize Drawing, Dec. 20th, at J. M. Nagano & Co's 61 Douglas Street, Balmoral Block:

1	263	26	1,799	51	287	76	897
2	2,554	27	1,105	52	252	77	178
3	452	28	1,596	53	371	78	2,307
4	1,246	29	9	54	244	79	1,652
5	1,247	30	2,301	55	2,259	80	1,973
6	2,799	31	656	56	2,273	81	1,592
7	272	32	1,997	57	479	82	2,650
8	2,647	33	592	58	1,428	83	963
9	751	34	1,848	59	1,436	84	803
10	1,981	35	1,513	60	2,635	85	2,244
11	932	36	2,563	61	154	86	1,762
12	2,559	37	629	62	326	87	1,179
13	1,086	38	2,621	63	2,470	88	2,428
14	1,386	39	2,142	64	1,039	89	599
15	1,218	40	1,790	65	480	90	540
16	1,572	41	2,312	66	1,552	91	1,414
17	2,240	42	784	67	1,921	92	1,991
18	2,268	43	667	68	1,433	93	118
19	1,755	44	1,082	69	553	94	1,074
20	683	45	2,695	70	2,645	95	2,551
21	1,474	46	185	71	909	96	2,242
22	1,270	47	1,187	72	2,496	97	2,122
23	363	48	2,146	73	2,292	98	1,471
24	1,016	49	2,518	74	2,452	99	1,753
25	2,663	50	2,614	75	2,481	100	1,817

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Women are especially liable to colds. These colds occur more frequently during the wet, sloppy weather of winter and spring than any other time of the year. Often they are not considered serious and so are allowed to run on, or they are treated in such a way as to only palliate the symptoms, while the cold becomes more deep-seated and the patient finally awakens to the fact that she has a well-developed case of catarrh.

WOMEN SHOULD BEWARE OF CATCHING COLD.

By reason of their delicate structure, the lungs are frequently the seat of a cold, especially if there is the slightest weakness of the organs. The treatment of catarrh of the lungs is also more difficult and discouraging than catarrh of any other organ of the body.

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THE SEYMOUR NARROWS ROUTE

Resume of Circumstances Leading Up to Agitation for a Bridge.

During the approaching session of the Dominion parliament, application will be made, at the instance of the Vancouver Island members, speaking for the Victoria-Nanaimo boards of trade and other commercial bodies, for an appropriation sufficient to cover the cost of surveys and an authoritative report as to the expenditure approximately involved, should it be decided to give Vancouver Island connection with the Canadian mainland by means of a railway bridge—which project has been revived at intervals ever since the Canadian Pacific railway was first discussed as a practical possibility, and some port on this Island was looked upon as the natural Pacific terminus of a Canadian transcontinental railroad. Briefly, the bridging of Seymour Narrows, where the narrowest waterway intervenes between island and mainland, is advocated as a work of the first national importance and of inestimable value, on the ground that a saving of at least a day and a half would thereby be effected in the handling of Oriental trade, by saving of distance and by avoidance of fogs and smoke seasons in the tortuous waterways which Pacific shipping now must thread to reach a British Columbia mainland port.

It was as long ago as 1877 that Sir Sandford Fleming, in his report on the C. P. R. survey, said, "If it be considered of paramount importance to carry an unbroken line of railway to one or more of the harbors of Vancouver Island, and there is a likelihood that project will, regardless of the cost, hereafter be seriously entertained, then route No. 6 becomes of the first importance, and really the only one open for selection."

This route No. 6 referred to reaches the Pacific seaboard from the interior by way of the Homataco river, which flows into Bute Inlet (a deep channel which penetrates the continent for a distance of 40 miles, and 140 miles north of Vancouver), extends from Edmonton through the Yellow Head Pass, and then follows the valley of the Fraser for some 200 miles, and thence strikes southwesterly until it reaches tidewater. From the head of Bute Inlet it will follow the shore line of that arm of the sea until it reaches the contour of the continental mainland.

From this there are three ways by which Vancouver Island may be reached: First, by a ferry from Frederick Arm, through Nodales Channel, a distance of 15 miles, a route pronounced by Sir Sandford Fleming to be wholly practicable, although the cost of construction along Bute Inlet would be high. Second, by the construction of four bridges varying in length from 640 to 1,350 feet, by which the railway could be carried to the northwest corner of Valdez Island, whence a ferry two miles long would convey the cars to Vancouver Island. Third, by the construction of three additional bridges varying in length from 1,110 to 1,350 feet, which would give an all-rail line to the Island. To establish this all-rail line, 7,890 feet of bridging would be necessary in a distance of 30 miles. The transportation of cars by ferry between the Mainland and the Island would be the simplest possible matter—the channels to be traversed are deep and free from tide runs, and perfectly straight. When Vancouver Island has been reached, three points are available as railway terminii. The first of these is Victoria, with which Esquimalt may be incorporated. Another is Barclay Sound, which opens on the west coast of Vancouver Island about 90 miles from Victoria; the third being Quatsino, nearer the northwest end of the Island. All these harbors are excellent—of easy approach, great capacity, and subject to a minimum of navigation interruption by way of fog, while wholly free from any obstruction by way of snowstorms. It is hence claimed that they possess great advantages over the ports of the continental mainland, which can only be reached by the traversing of intricate channels, in certain portions of the year foghound, while in some cases vessels using these waterways are compelled to lie to for hours on account of snowstorms.

From Edmonton to a deep water ocean terminus at Quatsino, the distance would vary from 901 to 978 miles, according to which route across British Columbia be chosen. To Barclay Sound, the distance from the same point would be from 887 to 964; and to Victoria-Esquimalt from 973 to 1,050 miles. The estimated distance to Port Simpson is 900 miles. The distance from Edmonton via Port Simpson, to Yokohama is estimated at 4,769 miles; via Quatsino the distance to Yokohama is substantially identical; via Alberni or Barclay Sound it may be put at 4,775 to 4,953 miles, and via Victoria, at 5,161 miles. The claim is made that it would be more advantageous from the point of ocean navigation to use the outer ports of Vancouver Island even although the distances were very much greater. It is a well known fact that vessels of the C. P. R. Empress line have frequently to await a favorable tide at Victoria before proceeding to Vancouver. It is also incontrovertible that these vessels are frequently delayed both in the Straits and in the voyage from Victoria to Vancouver by fogs or smoke; while it is a known fact that vessels can sail into Victoria with absolute safety at any time.

Lying 50 miles off the entrance to Quatsino Sound and parallel to the route taken by all steamers from the Orient, is Triangle Island, a small patch of rock. A 25-mile light erected on Triangle Island would give incoming ships their bearings at a point 75 miles out from Quatsino, and they could keep that light in sight until they picked up a similar light erected at the mouth of the Quatsino Sound. A light at Cape Cook, south of Quatsino Sound, would serve as a guiding light for vessels seeking Barclay Sound, so that the approach to the harbors of Vancouver Island, from Victoria to Quatsino, may be accepted as safe as the approach to any harbors in the world, while, on the other hand, it is acknowledged that the approach to all the harbors on the continental mainland, from Tacoma, on the south, to Skagway, on the north, is rendered more or less dangerous at certain seasons of the year by reason of fog, snow or smoke. The danger is not so much in the likelihood of vessels going ashore as of collisions, which must greatly increase in proportion not only as transcontinental traffic increases, but also as the number increases of vessels engaged in the coasting trade.

The Victoria board of trade, at the initiation of Mr. C. H. Lugrin, is now urging upon the Dominion government the desirability of its making an appropriation in order that during next summer the cost of securing the desired connection with Vancouver Island by ferry or bridge or part one and part the other, may be definitely and authoritatively ascertained. The data which were gathered by Marcus Smith, C. E., in this connection were not very exhaustive, and such as they were it is understood were destroyed by fire at Ottawa. Besides, conditions have so changed since their preparation, in the cost of bridging, materials and railway construction generally, that figures prepared on the basis of conditions existent 50 years ago, would be of very little value today.

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GRAND FORKS AND VICINITY.

Successful Hunting Trip—Mining Deals in Boundary Country.

Grand Forks, Dec. 19.—R. A. Brown commonly known as Volcano Brown has just returned from a very successful hunting trip on Volcano mountain. Although several local hunting parties have been unsuccessful in obtaining any large game from this district, Mr. Brown succeeded in shooting five fine large deer some ten miles from his home at Volcano Mountain. The most novel part, however, of his entire trip was the fact that he tied the five deer together to each other's tails, and then tied the first deer to the tail of his stout little pony known as "Billy" the pony in this way snaking the whole string of carcasses in safety the long ten miles to Mr. Brown's dwelling at Volcano Mountain. R. A. Brown is recognized as the most successful hunter and trapper in Southern British Columbia.

A marvelous escape from death has just occurred here at the Granby Smelter. It appears that an employee named Joseph Feeney fell down a 25-foot shaft striking on his shoulders and side, strange to say that although he struck on the hard rock he was not seriously hurt and will be at work again in a few days.

Examinations for entrance to the high school will commence here today, the examinations will be held by Principal Clark of the high school here.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Boundary creek licensing commissioners was held at Midway last Saturday when several renewals of licenses were granted, the board refusing to grant any more new licenses at present.

Among the most important mining deals made here during the past week was the sale of an individual one-half interest in the Mountain Chief and Mountain Chief Fraction to Dr. Matteson. These properties are both situated in Worcester camp and are noted for their good surface showings.

A one-fifth interest in the well known Eclipse property in Franklin Camp has just been acquired by G. Renster, for a good snug cash sum.

Dr. Matteson has also become the owner of an individual one-quarter interest in the Blue Jay property in Franklin Camp.

The owners of the Bullion property in Franklin Camp have just made application to the government for a crown grant for this well known claim.

Petition for More Licences

At a meeting of the city council held here last evening, a lengthy petition asking the council to amend the license by-law so as to provide for two additional licenses was presented to the council, the petition was signed by over one hundred rate-payers, the presence of this petition created quite a consternation during the meeting. Alderman Hutton introduced a motion which greatly reflected on the city licensing commissioners for granting two licenses to A. Traunweiser. This motion was however defeated.

Alderman Brown finaly made a motion that the petition be tabled which practically means that no action will be taken on it, while great interest has lately been taken in the coming city elections the meeting last night has brought matters to a fever heat. The license question will be the chief issue in the campaign. B. Lequinne, lumberman here, is the last man mentioned to contest Mayor Hammers' re-election.

The coroners inquest that has been going on here the last few days to enquire into the cause of death of Murdock McGillivray, who was found dead in the street a few days ago under peculiar circumstances, concluded their investigation last evening, this verdict being that deceased came to his death from heart failure probably induced by an excessive indulgence in spirituous liquors. The above verdict was arrived at when the result of the post mortem examination was made known. No blame, whatever, was attached to anyone by the coroner's jury. The remains of Murdock McGillivray were buried here yesterday.

Robert Clark, the owner of the Seattle mine, has started development work on the Monte Cristo property on Fisherman creek, the work being done consists of running a long tunnel. The Monte Cristo is a high grade gold-copper property.

Yesterday the municipal delinquent tax sale was held here when over $3,000 was paid into the city treasury for city property.

Alex. Miller of the Greenwood high grade properties has been in the city the last few days on mining business.

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REPORT ON THE BIG BEND DISTRICT

Provincial Assayer Presents a Paper on One of Pioneer Mining Camps.

Bulletin No. 2, being a report of the provincial assayer, H. Carmichael, on the Big Bend district, has just been issued from the provincial bureau of mines. In part it is as follows:

Big Bend district is that portion of British Columbia north of the Canadian Pacific railway and enclosed by the Big Bend and Columbia rivers, having an area of approximately 2,300 square miles. Crossing the C. P. R. at Beaver Mouth, the Columbia flows in a northwesterly direction for 60 miles, when it makes a sharp turn to the left and flows south, again crossing the railway at Revelstoke, 70 miles south of the Bend. With the exception of a few rapids, the river is navigable for boats for the entire distance, and the only bar to steamer navigation is at La Porte, 40 miles above Revelstoke, to which point a sternwheel steamer now ascends twice a week from Revelstoke, the return journey being made in one day.

In the spring of 1865 four boatloads of prospectors left Marcus, in Washington territory, to prospect the Columbia river. They were headed by five men who, in some form or other, have left their mark upon the country, a creek, a basin or a mountain peak being named after them. These men were Wm. Downie, Hy. Cairns, Nelson De Mars, Louis Lee and Steve Liberty.

Ascending the Columbia through the Arrow lakes, prospecting as they went, they first struck gold on Cairns creek, 20 miles above the present town of Revelstoke. Washing here proved so successful that the party decided to send some of their number back to Marcus for more supplies, while the remainder whip-sawed lumber and put in sluice boxes. While the return party was at Marcus some of the others prospected the creeks further up the Columbia, striking gold on a number of them, the best, however, being McCulloch and French creeks.

The news of the discovery of gold in this region traveled down to Marcus and through the west, with the result that in the following year (1866) there was a rush to this section, the population becoming between 8,000 and 10,000 people. A steamer was built at Marcus called "The 49," and during the one season (1866) made 37 trips from Marcus to La Porte, where a rapid blocks further continuous navigation. In the same year the government appointed the late Hon. Peter O'Reilly as gold commo French creek.

Quite recently a pair of old English handcuffs and part of a billiard table were unearthed, reminders of these early days. It has been estimated that some $3,000,000 in gold were taken out in 1865-6, a $375 nugget being found on rench creek.

Travel was not entirely confined to the Columbia river, as parties came in from Kamloops with pack trains, following down Smith creek to the Columbia opposite Gold creek. This placer excitement died down, many of the miners going to Perry creek in East Kootenay, others pushing northward until they struck the Peace and Finlay rivers, bringing the placer camps of Omineca into existence.

rom this time the Big Bend district took a long rest, comparatively little mining being done, and that confined to placer and hydraulic claims, no lode mining being prosecuted. In 1896 prospecting for quartz was commenced in this region, but, unfortunately, had barely begun before the wave of mining development over the whole of the Northwest showed signs of slackening; the prospector, not seeing a buyer for his claims, turned his attention elsewhere, and Big Bend district continued to slumber a little longer.

The entire region is rugged, the mountains rising rapidly from the Columbia river. The lower hills and benches are covered with a heavy growth of timber, consisting of Douglas fir, cedar and white pine, timber line being reached at an altitude of 6,000 feet above the river, or 7,500 feet above sea level.

On the divides between the creeks, at an elevation of 7,500 feet, there is a considerable area of what might be called rolling plateau or park land, from which peaks rise from 1,000 to 2,000 fee. still higher. In summer these grassy slopes furnish excellent food for pack animals; the rocky portions are easily seen, and prospecting does not present the difficulties encountered in the thick undergrush of the lower altitudes. An easy grade to these plateau regions is obtained by following up the numerous creeks flowing into the Columbia river. For instance, the divide above Standard basin is reached by following up Five-Mile creek on a gradual grade of above 600 feet to the mile. Some of the creeks, however, are much steeper.

NOTED SWIMMER DEAD.

Brisbane, Dec. 22.—The death of B. L. Kiernan is announced. He was the Australian champion swimmer, who made notable records during his recent visit to Europe.

WOULD-BE RESCUER KILLED.

Flagman Attempts to Save Woman's Life But Both Are Run Over.

Cranford, N. J., Dec. 22.—Flagman Peter Brady and a colored woman whose life he was attempting to save were both killed by an express train at a railroad crossing. The woman had stopped on the track in front of an approaching train and appeared too dazed and frightened to step off again.

VANCOUVER AND YUKON.

Company Will Apply for Subsidy for the Fort George Section.

Mr. William McNeill, parliamentary agent of the V., W. & Y., has returned from a business trip to Ottawa, Montreal and New York, says the News-Advertiser. He was in the latter city while the six-day bicycle race was in progress. "I think that about the most barbarous of modern-day sports," was his expressed opinion. It was attended by society, too, and one night the Vanderbilts and the swell bon-ton people were in their boxes from 11 p. m. until 2 a. m."

Mr. McNeill, who has made his headquarters in Vancouver this winter, will go over to Victoria next month to be present at the session of the legislature. He will renew the application of the V., W. & Y. for a subsidy for th eline from Vancouver to Fort George. "This will open up a fine stretch of territory," he remarked last evening, "and will do much for the development of that portion of the province lying just back from the coast, and which is rich in resources. I have no doubt that the local members for Vancouver, and for North Vancouver and Lillooet, whose districts will be directly benefited, will give strong support to the application."

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PUBLISHERS' NOTICE.

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THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

Certain topics never grow stale. Events that recur again and again in our experience are always fresh with interest. Anniversaries stimulate the same feelings of joy or sadness year after year.

Births, deaths and marriages excite the same emotions of gladness and sorrow that they did ages ago. The weather never ceases to be a seasonable subject of conversation. Holidays produce the same pleasurable anticipations, year in and year out. New Year's Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas this year have the same delightful and sacred associations as when they had birth. There is nothing new in human experience. Time alone modifies the sensations of youth; but man never grows too old to enjoy moderately what in youth afforded the keenest degree of pleasure.

Of all the days of the year Christmas is the most remarkable. It is the one day of the 365 when all the energies of humankind are concentrated upon making each other happy. As the day celebrates the birth of one whose life on earth was one long sacrifice for others, it is a festival to be observed by Christian countries in the spirit of altruism. In many instances, the giving of presents, as part of a universal custom, may be purely conventional; but deep down in the hearts of the great majority there is a genuine pleasure greater for the giving than for the receiving of gifts. It is often carried to an absurd extreme, as all fashions at times are, but on the whole it is a custom to be commended. It is a recognition of the basic principle of Christianity that the better part of ourselves belongs to others.

The true mission of the teacher, the preacher and the doctor is the benefiting of the race. The statesman gives the best of his life to the community. The mother sacrifices her life on the altar of family devotion. The father toils for his wife and children. Life conducted on the ideals of the religion we at least all nominally profess is a series of sacrifices, of services, of love labors for others. Christmas is the one day upon which we get nearer the heart of humanity than any other.

Christmas is the festival held upon the day Our Savious, the incarnation of the principle of love, of giving and of sacrifice, was born. There is in the atmosphere of the Christmas season an indefinable something that proclaims it and sets it apart. In youth that something is realized in a more definite way than in after life: but it is never lost. Whether it is a creation of an artificial environment; or has a psychological relation with the day itself, is a problem not at present solvable, but so long as Christmas stands for what it does, so long will it hallow the season and all its associations.

COLLECTED POEMS OF WILFRID CAMPBELL.

There are various estimates of poetry, and varying degrees of culture and literary finesse have produced varying standards. We have the home-spun, heart-reaching poems of Robert Burns and the exotic produced by Oscar Wilde. We have the measured, almost mechanical rhythm of Pope, lucid and epigrammatic, and the labyrinthical mazes of thought expressed in Browning's musical mysteries. Then we have the liquid depths of Byron, in which are combined the characteristics in moderation of these extremes. The schools of poets appeal to readers who may be definitely graded in degrees of culture. There are some—the universal singers—who appeal to all hearts, whether high born or low born, whether cultured or uncultured. These are the true nature's poets. But outside of these are those who have added art to nature's gifts, who, like the gardener, have introduced new strains and given artistic expression and variety to native plant and flower. All literary standards, therefore, depend for recognition upon the cultivation of taste in different directions. The permanent types are those which keep closest to original types.

In the introduction of Wilfrid Campbell's collected poems, a copy of which has been received from the publisher, the author discusses some of the phases of poetical excellence as viewed from the multifarious standpoints of the reading public. Nearly every person loves poetry of some kind. His appreciation of its standard is the measure of his own mind, his own taste, his own imagination. Campbell, whatever the extent of his genius, is one of nature's poets, and he loves the simple, the imaginative, the heart-felt. Simplicity and directness are, in his estimation, essential to the highest class of verse. Goethe and Shakespeare, two of the world's greatest poets, are noted for these qualities. He expresses his likes, and it may be his prejudices, with which we cannot but feel a large measure of sympathy, when he asserts that "the effort to dwarf the writing of verse into an obscure cult will fail so long as people keep themselves with the real poets of the past." Here is a body blow to the Browningites and Swinburnites, and all the sects of lackadaisical and occult poesy. He voices the heart hunger, in an age of estheticism and the exotic, of the man who, ignorant of the "mode" in art, knows only a picture that he likes and a song that thrills him. And he says: "The failure to appreciate verse today is owing not so much to the inability of the public to recognize a poem as to the attempt of certain critics to force upon the world as poetry what is, after all, at the most only clever verse. . . It is a sort of instrument which thrills the soul, not only by what it reveals but what it suggests. For this reason a mere esthetic word-picture, no matter how carefully wrought, is not in the true sense poetry." To start with, therefore, our author has laid the foundation for a popularity among a large class, who are not afraid to admit their limitations in understanding and appreciating the beauties which only critics and connoisseus discern. Campbell curiously avers that it is difficult to "explain to the layman the conditions that produce poetry." To speak of a "layman" in regard to literature of any kind is hardly correct, but it conveys a meaning. There are very few, he says, who fail to appreciate a true poem. As expressed in his very first selection:

Earth's dream of poetry will never die.
It lingers while we linger, base or true—
A part of all this being. Life may change,
Old customs wither, creeds become as nought,
Like autumn husks in rain winds; men may kill
All memory of the greatness of the past,
Kingdoms may melt, republics wane and die,
New dreams arise and shake this jaded world;
But that rare spirit of song will breathe and live
While beauty, sorrow, greatness hold for men
Akinship with the eternal; until all
That earth holds noble wastes and fades away.

Poetry may emulate the photograph, yet fails to catch the one necessary insight which the painter who is a genius puts into his picture—that light that never was on sea or land, yet which all men some time or other see in what the average world may call the dull and commonplace. Yet, adds our poet, there may be a danger that a cult to see beauty in the commonplace will grow from the affectation to seem artistic and poetical. After all, he says, the beauty we see in a special verse is in ourselves. There is the universal beauty which we all see. That is the real the lasting beauty. There are many greatnesses in life—of love, of nobility, of self-denial, of despair, of struggle for a lost cause; the majesty of life, of death, of ocean, of mountains. "All this is universal, and of this poetry is made."

Our author comes back, as the result of philosophizing on the subject, to the old story that "the real root of all poetry, from Shakespeare to the latest singer, is in the human heart. The mind is cold and critical. It plans and plots. It is the man, the hoper, the dreamer, the eternal child of delight and despair whose ideals and desires are ever a lifetime ahead of his greatest accomplishments who is the hero of nature and the darling of ages."

Poetry may have many messages, but the greatest poetry is that of the human soul—is that dealing with the eternal tragedy of life in the universe. "The eternal theme of man is man." And so on, Campbell pursues his theme, and from such glimpses of his mind, we arrive at an estimate of his poetry, which is true to, if not as great as, his ideals. His selections are classified into elementary and human verse; nature verse; elementary and memorial verse; dramatic, classical and imaginative; poems of affection; sonnets; the sagas of vaster Britain; lake lyrics; and one in in a special class, "Nama-Way-Quadonk—the Bay of Sturgeons." There are a great many in his 354 pages, mostly short and it would be difficult to illustrate in brief space his characteristic treatment of his subject, even in each class. He does not maintain a high, uniform level; how few poets do? A man of moods has his high and his low places. The poet of nature must travel an uncertain path and go where his Pegasus guides, on hill tops, through glade and over plain. "The Mother" is one of his most beautiful and touching things. Speaking of her babe, which she has left on earth:

And here I lie with him under the stars,
Dead to earth, its peace and its wars;

Dead to its hates, its hopes, and its harms,
So long as he cradles up soft in my arms.

And Heaven may open its shimmering doors

And saints make music on pearly floors,
And hell may yawn to its infinite sea,

But they never can take my baby from me.

Infinite love is here expressed with the true poet's passion. This is a poem of the affections.

In the dramatic we have "Ahmet," based on a legend of North Africa:

And felt the old religion of his race,—
A nomad people on the northern steppes,
Who wandered from place to place, tracking their gods—
The stern, white wanderers of the trackless heaven—
Beat in the stirring pulses of his blood;
And Ahmet prayed in his heart's agony,
Unto the fathers of his race, the gods,
For his own people in their distant home,
And for himself on this lone, desolate waste,
And the great dead, who, battling through that day,
Went to the gods off their foemen's spears.

Another is the "Were-Wolves," from which this is a random verse:

Their only peace is darkness,
Their rest to hasten on
Into the heart of midnight,
Forever from the dawn.
Across far phantom ice-floes
The eye of night may mark
These horror-haunted were-wolves
Who hound them in the dark.

The Bay of Sturgeons, commonly known as Colpoy's Bay, an arm of Georgian Bay, was once the haunt of a tribe of Indians known as the Petrons. Of their going, Campbell in this poem, written in childhood, sings this sad melody:

O saddest picture of a race—
A wild and passionate broken race—
That melting night-wind leaves no trace,
No camp-fire on the sweet, loved face
Of their own land;
As shades that wander to their rest,
Toward those dim regions of the West
And setting sun.

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Sleep, sleep by dreamy shore and glen;
Sleep on through murk, and mist, and moon,
Through the mad years of modern men,
While only dreams of care and fen
Fill each wild breast.

Campbell loves the sad and pathetic, and although he sings in many keys, he is at his best in the minor.

The publisher of this volume of poems is Wm. Briggs of Toronto. The price is $1.50.

The Toronto Globe, discussing Premier Gouin's speech on Better Terms, thinks that the best check on provincial extravagance is to allow the local governments to resort to direct taxation, as the electors feel the strain on their pockets when the money is paid out in cash to the tax collector; whereas when it is collected stealthily by indirect methods it does not attract attention. The moral is, of course, to let the Dominion Government go on by stealthy methods, collect all it can, and spend it freely, while the local governments have their noses kept to the grindstone. This is a good principle so long as your friends are in power at Ottawa. There was a time when the Globe argued quite the other way. That was when Sir Oliver Mowat was a power at Toronto and Sir John Macdonald at Ottawa.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

[The Editor does not hold himself responsible for views expressed by correspondents.]

MORE LIGHT ON INSURANCE.

Sir—Under the caption "More Light on Insurance" this morning, on page 9, you say, "Andrew McDonald was sandbagged and robbed at 2 o'clock—after his pockets were emptied he was kicked off the trestle and left for dead."

Although this looks very like life insurance work, there is reason to believe that it may be credited to that other American institution, the hobo. Let us not fix the blame till we have more proof.

JUSTITIA.

CHRISTMASTIDE.

Written for The Colonist.

Hang up the red-eyed holly on the walls,
And pale-eyed mistletoe and fabled bay;
Give tongue to mirth; set ringing laughter gay
And wake glad echoes adown festooned halls
But let a gentler echo in thy soul
Keep vibrating—an echo that will roll
Continuous till the earth itself shall cease:
"Goodwill to men, and on the tired earth peace"

G. E. FLORAX.

LARGE AND SMALL PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

Sir—In your issue this morning Mr. Smith says, "Mr. Sorby admits that the small property holder pays a larger tax than the holder of acre blocks." Nothing of the sort. I said it was a self-evident fact that the city derives "less taxation from a vacant lot than from an improved lot."

Your correspondent states that the landowners "forced a price far in excess of actual value, compelling home-makers to build beyond a required limit" and that "many of these lots can be bought now at prices little in advance of the sum required for their purchase" years ago. Suppose that to be the case, the property-owners have been the losers, and it is quite certain they have paid all the taxes collectible, and that they alone have paid for all the improvements that have taken place in the city during these unproductive years. "I maintain," he goes on to say, "that an assessment in keeping with the valuations these lands were held at won'd have either bankrupted the holders or wiped out a good sum of outstanding municipal debt." Quite the contrary; most properties are assessed considerably over their current value and taxed accordingly. As an example: A park or recreation ground, is most urgently needed in the North Ward between the Fountain and Spring Ridge; a deputation from the city hall waited upon a land-owner in that district; he said he was willing to take the value at which the land was assessed for purpose of taxation. They scouted the idea as preposterous, and offered considerably less than their own assessors' valuation. Now this vacant land is taxed over and above its market value, and it pays taxes year in and year out, and has paid taxes, and has ben over-taxed, ever since Victoria was incorporated. It has done more than its fair share of the public improvements of the place. The owners of land maintain Victoria today; their property is security for its debts, the interest and sinking fund to meet its debts is raised entirely upon their property and out of their pockets. It is time, after all these years that those who enjoy and have enjoyed these benefits should pay their fair share in taxation, or at any rate cease their clamor for things they do not and would not pay for.

With regard to municipal ownership, I have no authority to speak for the association, as an association. Opinions differ; it has answered in Glasgow and many large advanced municipalities; but whether it would be equaly beneficial or even safe in "graftland" is open to doubt.

THOS. C. SORBY,
Sec'y Property Owners' Assn.

December 23, 1905.

WHO PAYS TAXES?

Sir—In today's issue of your journal Mr Thos. C. Sorby again discusses his favorite theme—the burdens and grievances of the poor down-trodden and oppressed property owners. It might be of interest to your readers therefore to have a few works on the other side laid before them

First, then, as to how many of these property owners got their property. Either they or their fathers got it when it was worth little or nothing, either as free grants or for a nominal sum. The fact that it has a higher value today is owing wholly to the presence in our midst of those who are not property owners, and to the large influx of population, whom Mr. Sorby and his associates affect to despise. This increased value has all gone to these original owners while the people who have given it its increased value by their presence and labor here have received no part of it. Only a very small part of this increased value has been earned by the honest labor of these original owners or those who inherited from them. Under a just system of ownership of land this increased value would belong to those who make the increased value, but under the present methods it all goes to the men who got here first and grabbed up everything in sight.

Now, how much tax does a man pay who is in possession of property that he didn't earn himself, that he did nothing whatever to make of value, which would be of little or no value again, if his neighbors who give value to his property were all to move away again? It looks very much as if these original owners and those who have inherited through them do not and have not themselves paid one dollar of taxes. They are but giving back to society a part, and a very small part at that, of the value which society has created for them. And they appear to be doing it with a very bad grace.

That it is the tenants or occupiers of property who give its value and who pay the taxes on what they occupy will be readily granted by any one who is at all acquainted with the most elementary principles of political economy. We have seen instances not a few of what happens when the tenants or occupiers of property in a town all move out and go elsewhere to live. Some few years ago a certain mining town in Colorado was very prosperous. Property was high, so were rents, and the landlords felt fully as important as do those of certain other places, and probably grumbled as much as others do about their taxes. But the bottom fell out of silver, the mines shut down, and the tenants and laboring people all left the town. What happened? Did the landlords stay there and flourish and pay taxes? Not much. In a very short time they followed the tenants, and today there are whole streets of fine buildings left to the bats and the owls. The name of the town can be given, and it is only one instance of many which might be mentioned. Now who paid the taxes in that town while it was flourishing? The landlords probably thought they were paying them, the same as those elsewhere think they do, but as a matter of fact, they were not paying one cent of them. It is precisely the same here today. A landlord, as such, does not pay one cent of taxes, and if those only should vote who pay taxes, then the landlords should not be allowed to vote. It is the tenant or occupier who gives property its value; it is the tenant or occupier who pays the taxes, whether he does it directly or indirectly through the landlord. And it seems just a little silly to see this so-called Property Owners' Association meeting and passing resolutions as though their interests were separate and apart from those of the rest of the community. Perhaps, however, the members of this association are not responsible for everything that appears over the name of their secretary, otherwise they must be an aggregation of freaks.

TENANT.

December 21, 1905.

ARCHBISHOP CHRISTIE.

Portland Oregonian.

Archbishop Alexander Christie belongs to a group of great churchmen who are giving to American Catholicism a character of its own for scholarship, liberality and fidelity to republican ideals. The Catholic church has always been profoundly democratic in spirit. At a time when secular power everywhere in Christendom belonged to noble birth and military rank was denied to merit without aristocratic lineage, the highest officers of the church remained open to all men and the humblest peasant might, and did, rise to be pope. For centuries the church was the only hope of the ambitious man of lowly birth. The theory of human equality which Jefferson preached, the Catholic church practiced hundreds of years before he was born.

Its genius therefore is in harmony with that of American institutions, and it is no wonder that in the United States the Catholic church has flourished as nowhere else in the world. Her experience here proves that religion requires for its maintenance neither public taxation nor the support of secular power. Under the guidance of men like Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop Ireland and Archbishop Christie, the church has increased in numbers, wealth and power. Prejudice has been alloyed, envy has been pacified and hostility reconciled. The theological hatreds of older and fiercer generations have been forgotten under the gentle pastorate of these kindly priests, whose loyalty to God is great enough to make them understand His abounding mercy.

Archbishop Christie is a potent and benignant influence in the higher life of the Pacific Coast His return is welcomed not only by his own church, but by all the churches, not only by his own flock, but by all men.

[Archbishop Christie was formerly Bishop of Vancouver Island.—Ed.]

*THE ANGELS' SONG.

When ancient faiths the Orient held
Were crumbling to decay,
And blind mythologies of eld
In mournful ruin lay
The hungry-hearted world was given
Truth unrevealed too long,
And from the glittering gates of Heaven
Swept forth the angels' song.

When o'er the blossoming fields of thought
An autumn blight has come,
When every oracle we sought
In happier days is dumb,
Sometimes the spaces wide are riven
With strains delayed too long,
And from the glittering gates of Heaven
Comes down the angels' song.

When life shrieks discords everywhere,
And passion's dreadful cries
Makes mad disharmony in the air
And rend the tranquil skies,
Sweet, silvery flute-notes God has striven
To make us hear too long,
Steal from the glittering gates of Heaven,
The blessed angels' song.

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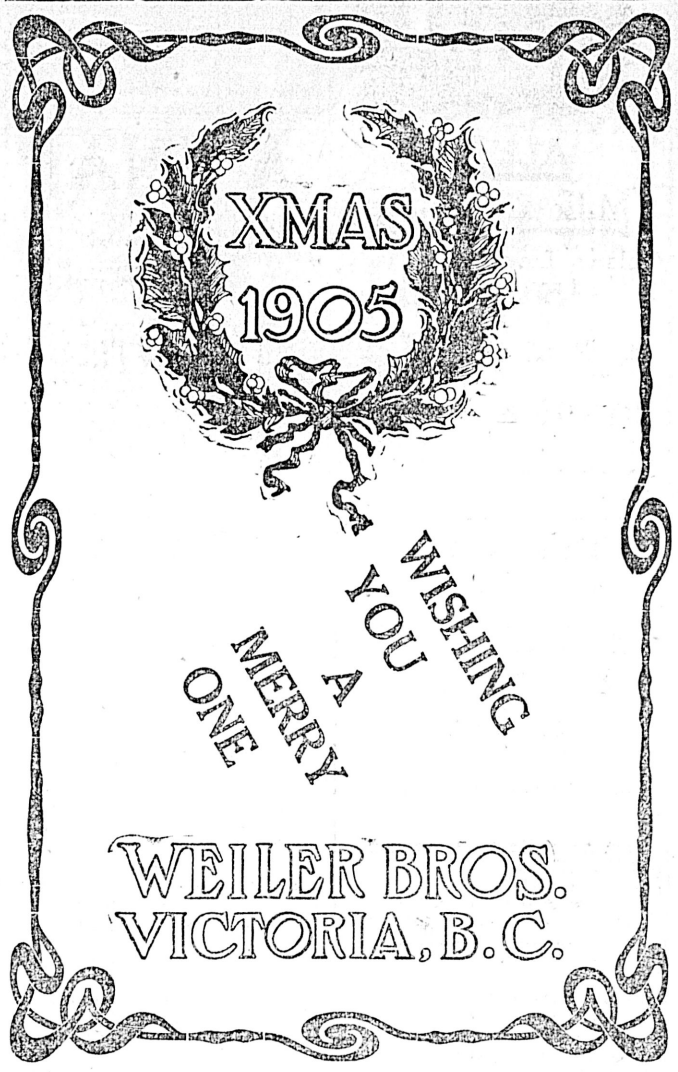

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A Swedish Meeting.—A Swedish meeting is to be held Wednesday night the 27th at 8 o'clock in A. O. U. W. hall on Yates street.

Christmas Street Cars.—Tomorrow the street car service will not start until 9 a. m., after which the regular service will be given.

Gave Them Turkeys.—The management of the Taylor Mill Company presented each of the employees of the company with a fine Christmas turkey, which gift, needless to say, was very much appreciated.

Christmas Mails.—The local postoffice will be open Christmas from 8 to 10 for the delivery of mail. In order that there may be no delay in the receiving of Eastern mail it has been arranged that there shall be a morning delivery of letters throughout the city, and in addition an express will be put on for the delivery of parcels.

Some Special Solos.—The following numbers will constitute the music of the Metropolitan Methodist church on Christmas Sunday: Anthems, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Stainer), "Sing, O Heavens" (Tours), "How Lovely Are the Messengers" (Mendelssohn); solos, "Glory to God," by Miss C. Spencer; "Nazareth," by Mrs. Burnett; selected, by Mrs. Reid.

Typos to Meet.—The members of Victoria Typographical Union are requested to attend a special meeting today at 2 p. m. in Labor Temple. Business of importance will be brought before the meeting and a full attendance of members is requested. A request has been sent out by the International union asking that a vote be taken on the proposal to assess all working members 10 per cent of their salaries, to assist the striking printers in the east.

San Jose Scale.—A. C. Wilson, quarantine officer for Nanaimo, has discovered San Jose scale in existence there. The discovery was made on lemons and a thorough investigation was commenced immediately of all fruit of the city, with the result that some of the lemons were found to be so badly infected with scale that they were immediately ordered burned. A round-up was then made of all the lemons in the city and a large consignment will be sent to Victoria to be put through a process of fumigation.

Souvenir Edition.—The Fernie Free Press has just issued a very handsome souvenir edition, it being quite the most ornate and comprehensive attempt of the kind made by the interior press. Great credit is reflected on the publishers. The stranger is by the publication given a splendid idea of the young East Kootenay city, its beautiful natural surroundings, its rapid and solid growth, its great and, to a large extent, its latent industries, and its mighty future. The Fernie Free Press was established in January, 1899, by G. G. Henderson. It is now conducted by J. R. Wallace & Co., who are publishing a very creditable paper.

Coming to Victoria.—The Rossland Miner of Tuesday, December 19, says: "Mrs. A. C. Galt leaves on Thursday for Victoria for the purpose of joining Mr. Galt, who is practicing his profession there. Mrs. Galt has been a resident of Rossland for the past seven years, arriving here from Toronto some time after her husband. Mrs. Galt has a very large circle of friends who will regret her departure, as she has taken a prominent part in social and charitable affairs of the city ever since her arrival here. Victoria's gain in her case will be Rossland's loss."

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THE POTLATCH SEASON.

Natives to Celebrate Christmas All Along the Northern Coast.

The Indian potlatch season is now on along the northern coast of British Columbia. Passengers arriving on the steamer Venture yesterday report several in progress and others to follow in the course of the next week says the Province. The Indians every year celebrate Christmas in this manner, and turn out in large numbers bedecked for the occasion in war paint and feathers.

One of the largest this season is to come off at Takush harbor, which lies in a snug cove just off Queen Charlotte Sound, and near the entrance to Simth Inlet. The chief of the Takush harbor tribe is making great preparations for the occasion. A large house is being filled with blankets of all colors and sizes, sugar, beans, flour, pilot bread and other staple provisions usually kept on hand by the natives. Besides these the big chief will distribute goldpieces among his tribe and the visiting Indians. It is expected the chief will spend at least $1500 to $2000 in one way and another among the Indians.

The Indians all along the coast from Alert Bay to Milbank Sound has been extended an invitation to attend the potlatch, and one of the largest gatherings of Indians held on the coast for many a year is expected to congregate at Takush harbor during Christmas and New Year's holidays.

A feature of this potlatch will be the music to be supplied by Indian bands. A large cash prize is offered for the best, and it is said there will be at least three bands in attendance. This will guarantee a high old time, and dancing will probably be kept up day and night, one band taking a rest while another discourses the discordant strains to which the Indians will attempt to keep time.

The day of the big potlatch is gradually passing away, and people living in the North believe it will not be very long before that custom is dropped entirely.

More Christmas Cheer.—The management of the Vancouver-Portland Cement Company, which has works at Tod Creek, Saanich Arm, presented each of the employees of the company with a fat turkey for Christmas.

A Paper Tomorrow.—Tomorrow being Christmas day, an issue of the Colonist will be made and none on Tuesday.—This arrangement being to allow of all employees of the establishment to enjoy the annual holiday.

Smokes For the Boys.—The Colonist staff yesterday were regaled with choice Havanas, through the kindness of H. D. Helmcken, K. C. R. Hall, M. P. P., remembered the motorneers and conductors of the B. C. Electric Railway with a similar gift.

Firemen Remembered.—The thanks of the local firemen are tendered to Ald. Douglas, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., and a gentleman whose modesty prevents his name from being published for a box of choicest Havanas.

Special Christmas Music.—At St. John's church this evening special Christmas music has been prepared by the choir, and the services this evening, Christmas day and next Sunday will be fully choral. Christmas carols will be sung this evening after the benediction.

Regimental Compliments.—A notice issued yesterday by Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment says: "Col. Holmes, D.O.C., presents to Lieut.-Col. Hall, the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Fifth Regiment, Canadian artillery, his best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Special Steamer Service.—Attention is drawn to the fact that on Monday evening next (Christmas night) the steamer Princess Beatrice leaves for Seattle at 11 p.m. instead of at her usual time of 9 p.m. This change will be appreciated by those wishing to return home after spending Xmas day with friends or relatives in this city.

Good Templars.—On Wednesday evening last, a very pleasant time was spent at Semple's hall, Victoria West, when the members of Victoria West Lodge, No. 29, I. O. G. T., held their usual meeting. Bro. Robinson accepted the invitation to take the chair in absence of the chief templar and proceeded to deal with the usual business. A member of Triumph lodge No. 16, was admitted as an associate. A motion was passed for filling the office of chaplain rendered vacant by the resignation of the much respected, G. V. T. Sister L. Vosper. The chief templar appointed Bro. Menkennet, who was then installed by Bro. Cooper, L. D., of Triumph lodge.

Mayoralty Contest.—Ald. Goodacre, in spite of repeated requests on the part of representative citizens that he be a candidate for the mayoralty, has definitely decided against offering himself as a candidate for that high position. With this unexpected situation eventuating, it is understood that Charles Hayward, who occupied the position three successive times—1900, 1901 and 1902, will be a candidate. Another aspirant for the position will be A. J. Morley, whose card appears in another column. Lewis Hall, at present alderman for North ward, is also considering the question as to whether he will offer himself as a candidate.

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FREIGHT AGENT SILENT.

Mr. Greer Admits the Montreal Conference But Refuses to Talk.

Fresh from a consultation with the management of the C. P. R. at Montreal, Mr. R. W. Greer, general freight agent of that railway, returned to Vancouver at noon today, says Thursday's Vancouver Province.

While in Montreal Mr. Greer discussed very fully with the management of the C. P. R. all matters relative to the boycott established against that railway by the merchants of Vancouver. Mr. Greer admitted this much, but he absolutely refused to be drawn into any discussion of what took place.

"I did talk the boycott question over in detail with the management," said Mr. Greer, "but I have nothing to say for publication—everything which might be said has already been given out. No, there is nothing in the rumor that unless the boycott ended shortly the C. P. R. would adopt means of reprisal."

Mr. Greer left Vancouver on December 9 for Montreal. He slipped away very quietly, and no information respecting his movements could be gleaned at the C. P. R. offices in this city, and had not a special despatch to the Province announced his arrival in Montreal his whereabouts would not have been known.

The special committee of the Vancouver board of trade charged with the duty of making reply to the answer of the C. P. R. to the railway commission relative to the board of trade's petition for an equalization of freight rates over the C. P. R. into the Northwest is still working on its document. It is quite possible that the board will despatch a representative to Ottawa to argue upon its reply to the C. P. R. answer.

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Management Hopes to Be Able to Blow In Another Furnace Shortly.

It is now the expectation of Mr. W. C. Thomas, superintendent of the Dominion Copper Company's smelting works at Boundary Falls, to blow in the second furnace at those works in about a week's time. Three weeks ago the first furnace was placed in blast by Mr. Thomas and since then has been doing very satisfactory work, it is understood, unofficially. Approximately 350 tons of ore per day have been smelted, the ore all coming from the company's Brooklyn, Stemwinder and Rawhide mines in Phoenix camp, and from its Sunset mine in Deadwood camp, the latter being used as a flux.

A number of improvements have been made by Mr. Thomas since he assumed charge at the smelter, and with his force of some 60 men he is getting excellent results. The matte from the Domiaion Copper Company's smelter is converted at the converting works of the British Columbia Copper Company at Greenwood, a carload being treated every two or three days.

With the blowing in of the second furnace at this smelter the daily output of the company's mines in this camp will be doubled. At present the company has about 160 men all told on its payroll, which number will be materially increased with the increase of output soon to take place. The monthly payroll of the company in this camp, which took place this week, distributed about $10,000 in wages alone here from the one company. With that of the Granby company here, which also took place at the same time, between $50,000 and $60,000 was paid out here to miners for the November payroll.

Circular to Shareholders

Hon. Warner Miller, president of the Dominion Copper Company, Limited, has issued a circular to the shareholders, giving the status of operations, financially and otherwise, since the new management took hold. The contents of the circular in full are as follows:

"To the Stockholders: Pursuant to the plan of reorganization under which the Montreal & Boston Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, Limited (hereinafter called the consolidated company) conveyed its properties to your company, the new board of directors was elected on July 28, 1905, and thereupon assumed the management of your company.

"The contemplated issue of bonds, amounting to $700,000, was at once consummated. Out of the funds received from all sources, including the bond issue, your company has paid (1) the balance, amounting to $339,158.79, due under the so-called 'Dominion' agreement for the purchase of stock of your company; (1) a large amount of debts of the consolidated company, which were specifically assumed by your company; (3) the charges incident to the reorganization and the expenses of general administration; and (4) about $50,000 for equipment, supplies, labor and other outlays in developing the mines of the company and preparing to start the smelter.

"The company now has balances in bank aggregating about $115,000, and has mining and smelting supplies worth about $30,000.

Assets of the Company

"The assets acquired by your companies comprised, among other properties, a large majority of the capital stock of the Montreal & Boston Copper Company, Limited, which owns the smelter. After the present management assumed charge of your company in July last, Messrs. Munroe & Munroe asserted against the Montreal & Boston Copper Company a claim, amounting to about $17,000, for alleged services and advances to that company. The claim is being vigorously defended. The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company also asserted a claim against the Montreal & Boston Company amounting to about $20,000 for coke alleged to have been furnished to that company about two years ago. In addition there have been asserted against that company claims amounting to about $70,000 for legal services alleged to have been performed by Canadian and New York lawyers, and other claims aggregating over $1,000. A Canadian firm of lawyers also demands $3,068.70 for alleged services to the consolidated company.

"The assertion of these claims came as a surprise to the present management. Careful investigations regarding them were at once instituted. While claims against the Montreal & Boston Copper Company are not liabilities of your company, it is claimed they are, so far valid as enforcible against the smelting property, and may have to be taken care of in some way.

Development of Properties

"Your company appointed Mr. Samuel Newhouse as general manager of the mining operations of the company and employed Mr. M .M. Johnson as consulting engineer. The work of developing the mining properties of the company has been actively taken up. The smelter of the Montreal & Boston Copper Company not having been properly cared for, was found to be in an unsatisfactory condition and required extensive repairs. It is not properly located or equipped to treat the ores economically for any great length of time. Preparations have been made, however, to start it. About 50 men are now employed at the mines and smelter, and when the smelter is in operation about 200 men will be employed.

"It is the intention of the management, acting under the advice of the general manager and consulting engineer, to ascertain as nearly as possible the character and volume of the ore in the various mines, and thereupon to determine the most expedient methods of handling and treating the ores. In order to obtain accurate and reliable conclusions in regard to these matters, it seems necessary to operate the smelter for some period at least. The smelter has been put in repair, and it is expected that it will be blown in by the 1st of December and will be capable of treating from 600 to 700 tons of ore per day.

"From time to time the stockholders will be furnished with reports as to the operations of the company and the condition of its properties.

"By order of the directors.

"WARNER MILLER, President."

THE B. C. FRUIT SURPRISED THEM

Thomas Earl of Savonas Exhibits Capabilities of Province to New Yorkers.

A recent number of the Elizabeth, N. J., Daily Journal, contains an account of a county gathering of agriculturists in which appears the following mention of a well-known British Columbian:

"One of the first arrivals was Thomas G. Earl, who is on a visit to this city from Vancouver, British Columbia. He brought with him specimens of the large apples and potatoes which are raised in that far-off country, and the members of the board could scarcely believe their eyes when they took them in their hands and inspected them. British Columbia was voted all right, and it was wondered if such large fruit and vegetables could be raised in New Jersey.

"At the close of the election of officers Mr. Earl was formally introduced and made a brief and interesting address In exhibiting his display off ruit and vegetables, he said the farmers of Union county could have similar results if they would plant right and clear their orchards of all old trees. The San Jose scale is unknown in British Columbia. Mr. Earl said it was a great country in which to live, and he expected to end his days there. At the close of the address, Mr. Earl was tendered a vote of thanks.

FRENCH ELECTION.

Preparations for Election of a Successor to Loubet.

Paris, Dec. 23.—President Rouvier is developing marked strength as a possible dark horse in the coming presidential contest. The national assembly meets at Versailles January 18, to elect a successor to President Loubet. The palace there is now being prepared to receive the nine hundred senators and deputies constituting the assembly and the near approach of the voting is causing an active canvass in behalf of the various candidates. M. Fallieres, president of the senate, has thus far been considered the leading candidate and his supporters say he is already sure of a majority in the assembly. M. Fallieres relies chiefly on the precedent established by M. Loubet in going from the presidency of the senate to the presidency of the republic. However, the candidacy of M. Fallieres does not arouse popular enthusiasm and the opposition is combining to support Doumers, president of the chamber of deputies. M. Doumers represents the younger and more active element. His candidacy is popular, but he has the antagonism of some strong groups in both chambers. It is expected that the first ballot will be divided between M. Fallieres and M. Doumer, with some votes for Leon Bourgeois, the former premier; Sheurie Brisson, another former premier and former president of the chamber of deputies; Paul DeChanel, president of the committee on foreign and colonial affairs of the chamber; Minister of War Etienne and Minister of Marine Thomson. Should the claims of the friends of M. Fallieres of an assumed majority materialize the contest would be short and decisive. However, the sharpness of the struggle between M. Fallieres and Doumers may prolong the contest and lead to the presentation of a dark horse in the person of Premier Rouvier, who has thus far withheld from the contest.

President Loubet has positively declined to be a candidate for a second term, but the possibility remains of the assembly making him an unwilling candidate. Still, the contest appears to be narrowed down to M. Fallieres and Doumers, with M. Rouvier, Bourgetis, Brisson and the others named making up the field of emergency candidates.

SPRING RIDGE SCHOOL.

Closing Christmas Exercises Held on Friday Afternoon Last.

The closing exercises of the Spring Ridge school were held on Friday afternoon last, in the presence of a large number of parents and friends, Mrs. Jenkins kindly took the chair.

After a carefully prepared programme consisting of Christmas carol, songs and recitations on the part of the children, several numbers were contributed by some of Victoria's most talented members to the evident delight of all present A violin solo by Miss Nora McCoy, accompanied by the Rev Mr. McCoy, was followde by the song, "The Rose, the River, and the Sea," sung by Miss Mainwaring-Johnson, for an encore she sang "The Norwegian Song." Mr. Allen recited "When Father Carves a Duck," and responded to the hearty encore with "A Frenchman in New York." Miss Cobbett played a piano solo, and Miss Newling recited "The Cattle Thief," and gave as her encore "Little Boy Blue." The Rev Mr. Miller and Mrs. Jenkins addressed the children in a few appropriate words and the concert was concluded by the passing of a hearty vote of thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who had so kindly given their time and talents at this busy season.

OBITUARY

Mr. Chas. Berryman, a well known Victorian, died at his residence early yesterday morning, after a brief illness. Mr. Berryman will be remembered as the genial gardener of the late Sir M. B. Begbie, whom he served in that capacity for over thirteen years. He had been a resident of Victoria for 22 years and was a native of St. Erth, Cornwall, Eng.

He leaves a widow with four children and two brothers, John and William, both residents of Victoria. The funeral has been arranged to take place on Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. from the family residence, 14 Franklin St., under the charge of Court Northern Light, A. O. F., of which order the deceased was a highly respected member.

LOCAL NEWS

Gone Up in Smoke.—The members of the mechanical and reportorial departments of the Colonist have to thank Proprietor Baylis of the Queens Hotel for some choice cigars, which were done full justice to last evening.

Poultry Show.—The Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock association will hold its annual show from the 10th to 13th of January, inclusive. It is expected there will be a very large number of entries.

A Purse-Snatcher.—The police were informed last night that a satchel was snatched by some young man from Miss Dean's of Third street when she was on the corner of Government and Fisguard streets last night. The purse-snatcher jerked the little bag from the young lady's hand and ran. The satchel contained one or two dollars and some small change and car tickets.

Guessing for Geese.—At the Queen's hotel yesterday evening, the bottle of beans, which has been the subject of much conjecture for some time past, was found to contain 13,925, there being a tie between E. H. G. Wright and W. Finnis for the green goose. Dan McGillivery, Walter Hill, E. H. G. Wright and E. Ballinger each guessed 7,000 as half the number, they being closest to the correct amounutt, which was 6,962½, the prize being the red goose.

BRACKMAN-KER ENTERPRISE IN WEST

Huge Structure Built by a Loc a Company is Practically Completed.

A Strathcona despatch dated December 21 says: The cement elevator and steel tower built by the Brackman-Ker Milling Co. is practically completed. The tower is of steel 6½ feet square and 112 feet high. The elevator is 82 feet to rim and 88 feet to peak, and has a capacity of 100,000 bushels. It is 40 feet in diameter outside measure and 39 feet inside, as the walls are six inches thick. Five hundred and sixty barrels of cement, 1,120 barrels of sand and 1,680 barrels of gravel were used in the construction. Three-quarter inch iron rods wind spirally around the centre of the wall for the first 40 feet, ½-inch rods in the same way for the next 30 feet, and then 7-16-inch iron rods from 70 feet to the top. These spiral iron rods are secured to upright half-inch straight iron rods 12 inches apart in the centre of the wall from base to summit. The latest improved rope-driven machinery is installed in a subterranean passage between the mill and elevator, and is capable of discharging 2,000 bushels per hour into the mill. The design of the structure and accessories is that of Elsi Heidenrich of Chicago. The work was commenced September 15 and cost about $18,000. The Brackman-Ker Co. are to be congratulated for their business enterprise, and the citizens of Strathcona ought to be proud of this unique edifice—the first cement elevator in our great Dominion.

ST. ANN'S KINDERGARTEN.

The entertainment given by the children of St. Ann's kindergarten and primary school was a grand success. The donation of stockings for the orphans was very creditable to the generous people of Victoria.

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SPORTS

SPORT CAUSES DEATHS.

During the past few weeks attention has been drawn to the adverse criticism that is being handed out to the American game of Rugby football, not only in the East but all over the United States. With the season practically closed a list has been compiled showing the fatal accidents which have taken place in sporting circles during the past year. For the season football leads the list with 21 deaths and between 300 and 400 injured, many of whom are expected to die. Baseball claims 12 who died from the result of playing in games, while 2 were killed in railroad wrecks while on their way to play. Followers of the turf were also subjected to some accidents, which claimed 14 as their victims. Boxing caused 6 deaths; automobiles, 2; gymnasium work, 2; polo, wrestling and golf, 1 each. From this list it will be easily seen that the college authorities of the East have none too soon taken up the question of cutting out the rough play in connection with

FOOTBALL.

Egeria Defeats Ladysmith

The Egeria football team defeated the Ladysmith team yesterday afternoon at Oak Bay by the score of 1-0. Although not detracting from the performance of the Egeria it is only fair to the visitor to state that they were unable to bring their full team down. Out of their regular team only five were able to make the trip. This no doubt made a great difference in their play.

On the other hand, the Egeria were stronger than they have been this season and played a very fine game. The addition of the two new halfs made a wonderful difference in the play, which went a long way towards giving them the victory. The players from the navy were determined to make a win and although it was only by one goal that they won they were well satisfied with their victory.

The visitors showed the loss of their speedy forwards and although they had a fine line they were rather light and have not had the experience of their regular men.

The game from a spectators point of view was very slow and with the cold wind blowing it was rather unpleasant watching the game, but the football enthusiasm took a good number out to witness the match and the majority remained till it was finished. The two teams appeared on the field with almost identical uniforms, which made it rather hard for their own players to distinguish them from an opponent. This also was the cause of some of the loose play.

As the visitors did not have their regular team it would be out of place to criticise their playing. A different team, however, will be down when they meet the Garrison.

On their play yesterday it was impossible to see how they played a draw with the Garrison, but as has already been stated they were without the services of several of their players.

In the first half the Egeria had the wind in their favor and were continually pressing the visitors, although the Ladysmith forwards made several trips into the territory of the Egeria and on one occasion came within an ace of scoring. No score was made till close on to half-time, when the Egeria obtained a corner kick, which was taken by McKinnell and which Lord secured and made the only tally of the game. On changing ends the Ladysmith team made a desperate effort to score but Bracewell and Shepard at back were very strong and would not allow the visitors to pass them. The Egeria forwards made a number of good runs and had several fine opportunities to score but they were lacking when it came to shooting.

During the latter part of the game the visitors pressed hard and the backs were both on the Egeria side of half way, but they were unable to score and time was called without any change in the result. For the winners, McKinnell was the bright spot and he was ably assisted by Bracewell and Shepard at back and Wynne at half and Lord and Towers on the forward line. McIntosh in goal also made a number of sensational stops for which he is noted. On the visitors' line-up was noticed Tom Wipsby, an old Victoria boy, who now resides in Ladysmith. He played a very good game and showed that his lessons taught on the football fields of this city have not been lost. Leahy, at half back; McMillian, on the forward line; O'Connell and Scott at back and Hailstones in goal, played a very steady game.

Sergt. Paley acted as referee and gave general satisfaction. With the Egeria winning yesterday the league standing is now as follows:

	Pd.	Won	Dn.	Pts.
Victoria United	1	1	0	2
Garrison	1	0	1	1
Egeria	2	1	0	2
Ladysmith	2	0	1	1

The South Park Juniors went down before the Victoria West yesterday afternoon by the score of 3-0. The full South Park team did not show up and they played the entire game with 4 men short.

In the first half the Wests scored twice, and once in the second while the South Park were unable to tally. Z. M. Whyte gave good satisfaction as referee.

Centrals Lose

The Central Intermediate football team were defeated by the Royal Engineers at Work Point by the score of 3-1. In the first half the play was very even, and the Engineers were only able to score once. On changing ends both teams put forward every effort to score with the result that the Centrals evened the score, shortly after half time.

No score was made till shortly before the call of time when the Engineers ran in two in quick succession.

On the whole the Centrals played a very strong game, and made a very good showing against their heavier opponents.

Practice Today

Weather permitting, the members of the Victoria United Football team will practice at Oak Bay this morning. Players are requested to take the 10 o'clock car from Government street.

HOCKEY.

Hockey Club Practice

The Victoria Hockey team had a very good practice yesterday afternoon at Oak Bay. Sides were chosen and a very hard practice game was played. The seniors are rounding into very good shape and are expected to make a good showing against Vancouver.

FOR MAYOR

To the Electors of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Being requested by a number of citizens to accept nomination for Mayor, I feel in duty bound to offer my services, and do so the more willingly, believing the people are weary of the insidious influences exercised by corporate companies over city affairs; that they are prepared for municipal control and gradual ownership of public utilities; for the replacing of the present high rates for light with the minimum for good service; for a square deal on the water question, believing that the present trumped up suit is a menace to the reputed rights of the city; for a more efficient and economical service of the department of works; for the safe-guarding of the city's interest in the disposition of the Songhees Reserve; and for open dealings of the Council.

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LOCAL MARKETS

Christmas! Christmas! Christmas!—that is all that is to be said. The grocers' stores are crammed with people and the unfortunate reporter is told in hurried terms that there is nothing fresh; prices are just the same and there is nothing new. Needless to say that purchasers are buying Christmas goods. Cape Cod cranberries at 10c. a lb, Malaga grapes at 30c., popcorn at 10c. a lb. or 5c. a package, and ground almonds at 50c. a lb., are the articles which are attracting more particular favor.

RETAIL MARKETS.

Oats, per ton	$28.00
Wheat, per ton	$35.00
Barley, per ton	$27.00
Hay (Island), per ton	$16.00
Hay (Fraser), per ton	$12.00
Straw, per bale	65
Potatoes (Island), new	$20.00
Corn, whole, per ton	$31.00
Corn, cracked, per ton	$32.00
Feed cornmeal	$32.00
Oatmeal, per 10-lb. s.	45
Rolled oats, per 7-lb. sack	35
Hungarian, per bbl.	$6.00
Hungarian, per sack	$1.60
Pastry Flour—	
Snow Flake, per sack	$1.40
Snow Flake, per bbl.	$5.25
Three Star, per sack	$1.50
Three Star, per bbl.	$5.80
Drifted Snow, per sack	$1.40
Drifted Snow, per bbl	$5.25
Feed—	
Middlings, per bag of 80 lbs.	$1.10
Bran, per bag of 70 lbs.	90
FRUIT.	
Cooking figs	8 to 10
Figs, Smyrna, per lb.	15 to 25
Valencia raisins, per lb	10
Lemons, California, per doz.	35
Cocoanuts, each	10
New cleaned currants	10
Best Sultanas	15
Best Sultanas, Smyrna	20
California Sultanas	15
Table raisins	25, 35, 50
Oranges, per dozen	50
Oranges, Jap, per box	65
Grapes, per basket	75
VEGETABLES.	
Cabbage, per lb.	3
Tomatoes, per lb.	15
Onions, 8 lbs. for	25
Potatoes, per 100 lbs.	$1.00 to $1.25
Cauliflower, per head	10 to 12½
Carrots, per lb.	1½ to 2
DAIRY PRODUCE.	
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	45
Manitoba, per doz.	30
Fresh cream, per pint	30
Cheese—	
California cheese, per lb.	25
Canadian cheese, per lb.	20
Butter—	
Manitoba, per lb.	25
Best dairy, per lb.	30
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	35
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.	35
Delta Creamery, per lb.	35
Comox Creamery, per lb.	35
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.	35
OIL.	
Coal oil (Pratt's) per can	$1.50 to $1.60
POULTRY, FISH AND GAME.	
Turkeys (local), per lb	30
Turkeys (imported), per lb.	25
Geese, dressed, per lb.	20 to 25
Ducks, dressed, per lb	20 to 25
Spring chickens, dressed, per lb.	20 to 22½
Pigeons, dressed, per pair	40
Rabbits, dressed, each	60 to 75
Hare, dressed, each	75
Fish—	
Cod, salt, per lb	12½
Herring (Holland), salt, per keg	$1.50
Halibut, fresh, per lb.	10 to 12½
Cod, fresh, per lb.	6
Flounders, fresh, per lb.	5
Salmon, salt, per lb.	12½
Salmon, fresh, per lb.	8
Herring (Nanaimo), per lb.	6
Mackerel, salt, each	15 to 20
Smelts, per lb.	10
Crabs, each	10 to 12½
Clams, per lb.	3
Oysters, Olympia, pint	50
Oysters, Toke Point, doz.	40
Shrimps, per lb.	25 to 35
Meats—	
Tongues, per lb	20
Beef, per lb.	8 to 18
Mutton, per lb.	8 to 18
Hams, American, per lb.	22
Bacon, American, per lb.	22 to 27
Bacon, rolled	16
Pork, per lb.	10 to 15
Veal, per lb.	10 to 18
Lamb, per quarter	$1.25 to $1.75

WHOLESALE MARKETS.

There is a glut of oranges. The houses are complaining that never before have they had such a rush for this particular fruit. The public have not been frightened by the reports of the inspecting authorities, with the result that the Jap oranges have been absolutely cleared, and there is no possibility of the late purchaser coming in on time. California oranges have also done well, many hundreds of cases having been already disposed of.

American wheat, per ton	$ 33.00
Manitoba feed wheat, per ton	30.00
Oats, Manitoba, per ton	27.00
Oats, Island, per ton	$28.00
Barley, Manitoba, per ton	25.00
Barley, Island, per ton	28.00
Flour, Hungarian, Ogilvie's, Royal Household, per bbl.	5.75
Flour, Hungarian Lake of the Woods Five Roses, per bbl.	5.75
Flour, Hungarian, Moffet's Best	5.35
Flour, pastry flour, Moffet's Drifted Snow, per bbl.	4.40
Bran, per ton	24.00
Shorts, per ton	25.00
Middlings, per ton	28.00
Whole corn, per ton	29.00
Cracked corn, per ton	30.00
Chop feed, best, per ton	25.00
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	$12 to $14
Hay, Island, per ton	$14 to $16
Feed cornmeal	30.00
FRUIT.	
Grapes, California, per crate	$2.25
Grapes, Malaga, per bbl.	$7.75
Grapefruit, per box	$4.00
Cranberries, per bbl.	$15.75
Apples (local), per box	$1.00 to $1.35
Bananas, per bunch	$3.25 to $3.50
Cocoanuts, each	8
Lemons (fancy), per box	$4.50
Lemons (choice), per box	$4.00
Pears (local), per box	$1.50
Grapefruit, per box	$3.75
Oranges, Jamaica, box	$2.25
Oranges, fancy navels, box	$2.50 to $3.00
VEGETABLES.	
Cabbages, per lb.	1¾
Turnips, per sack	85
Carrots, per sack	85
Parsnips, per sack	$1.25
Beets, per sack	$1.25
Potatoes (Mainland)	16.00
Potatoes (Island)	18.00
Silver Skin onions, per lb	2
Cauliflower, per doz	$1.25
Sweet potatoes, per lb	3¼
Tomatoes (Island)	20
Tomatoes (California),	15
MEAT AND POULTRY.	
Bacon, per lb	17½ to 24
Hams, per lb.	17 to 22
Pork, live weight	7
Pork, dressed	9
Veal, live weight	6½
Veal, dressed	9 to 10
Chickens, spring, per lb. live wgt	14
Chickens, old, per lb.	12½
Turkeys, per lb.	26
Turkeys, live weight	20
PRODUCE.	
Eggs (local) fresh, per doz.	45
Eggs (Eastern), per doz.	26 to 28
Butter (local), creamery	30
Comb honey	18

STOCK MARKETS

New York, Dec. 23.—Operations in the stock market were naturally irregular, by reason of approaching holidays and the suspension of business on the leading European exchanges. There was, however, a moderate degree of activity, with considerable strength in numbers of better known issues. Metropolitan shares moved irregularly and Metropolitan Securities were heavy. In the railroad list Union Pacific, St. Paul, Atchison, C. C. & St. Louis, and Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie were the principal features of strength. U. S. Steel issues were strong and active. Anaconda Copper also was in active demand at high record price. Other active and strong features were American Smelting, Corn Products. The bank statement was of little interest, but profit taking gave the list a temporary setback, from which it only partially recovered. Anaconda Copper, on rumors of another "rich find" in the company's mines, closed a net gain of over 22 points. There were feverish fluctuations in the general list towards the end, especially in Metropolitan Securities and Third Avenue, but the closing, though irregular, was in the main strong. Total sales of bonds, par value, $2,285,000.

New York Bank Statement

(Reported by F. W. Stevenson.)

Reserves on all deposits, $4,159,400; increased $198,325. Reserves on all deposits, less United States deposits, $6,324,250; increased $211,775. Loans, $1,004,907,100; increased, $315,100. Specie, $176,212,800; increased, $1,993,700. Legal tenders, $74,203,800; decreased, $1,510,300. Deposits, $985,038,400; increased, $1,149,900. Circulation, $53,049,700; decreased, $11,000.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

(Reported by F. W. Stevenson.)

New York, Dec. 23.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
A. T. & S. F.	88¼	88¾	88¼	82½
Preferred	..	..	..	104½
B. & O.	113	113	112¾	112¾
Preferred	..	..	..	97½
B. R. T.	90½	90½	88¾	89⅛
C. P. R.	174¾	175¼	173⅞	174
Erie Ry.	47¼	47½	46¾	46⅞
Ill. Cent.	151½	151½	151½	151½
Man. L.	..	..	..	163½
Met. St. Ry.	128	128½	126½	127½
Mo. Pac.	102½	103¾	102½	103
N. Y. Cent.	84	84⅛	83¾	83¾
N. Y. O. & W.	..	..	..	51¼
Penn. Ry.	142⅞	143½	142¾	143¾
Reading Ry.	137	137¾	136¾	137
Rock Island	23¼	23⅝	23¼	23½
Sou. Pac.	66½	66¾	66	66⅛
St. Paul	181	181½	180⅝	180¾
Union Pac.	149⅞	149¾	148½	148¾
Wabash Ry.	20⅛	20½	20	20¼
Preferred	..	..	..	40½
Amal. Copper	98⅝	100½	98⅝	100½
Anaconda	..	..	..	193
Amn. Loco.	..	..	..	69
Amn. Sugar	152	152¼	151¼	152
Amn. Smelting	..	..	..	164¼
Cent. Leather.	45	45¼	45	45⅛
C. F. & I.	56¼	56½	55¼	55½
Int. Paper	..	..	..	23¼
Nat. Lead	86	87	85¾	86½
People's Gas	100⅛	100¼	99¾	100¼
T. C. & I.	136	136½	135¼	135¾
U. S. Steel	38⅝	39½	38⅝	39½
Preferred	105	105½	105	105⅜
Western Union	..	..	..	93

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

(Reported by F. W. Stevenson.)

Chicago, Dec. 23. The following quotations ruled on the Board of Trade today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Dec.	82¼	83	82¼	82⅞
May	87	87½	87	87¼
July	83	83½	83	83⅜
Corn, No. 2—				
Dec., old.	..	..	..	48
New	..	..	..	44¼
May	44⅛	44¼	44	44
July	44½	44½	44¼	44⅜
Oats, No. 2				
Dec.	..	..	..	30½
May	31¾	31⅞	31¾	31¾
July	..	..	..	30⅜
Pork—				
Jan.	..	..	..	13.75
May	13.62	13.90	13.62	13.90
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Imperial	228	226
Union	141¾	140
Commerce	171	169¾
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Twin City	118	115
Mnot. Heat & Power	90	89
Ogilvies	130	127
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Montreal Street Ry.	235	233
Toronto Street Ry.	109	105¼
Winnipeg Street Ry.	200	180
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Bloodshed May Precipitate Crisis

The Battle at Moscow Causes Great Sensation at St. Petersburg.

Fight Will Likely Arouse the Proletariat to a Supreme Effort.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.—(12:20 a. m.)—The news of the terrible bloodshed at Moscow has created a great sensation here and renders the situation much graver. It furnishes just the necessary stimulus to fire the waning passions of the proletariat, and their leaders can be relied upon to use it to the full. They claim that their own reports show conclusively that the troops were deliberately ordered to fire on peaceful demonstrations in order to provoke a general conflict, and that the only recourse left was to fight back in self-defence. They also claim to have confirmation of the reports that gendarmerie and some troops, including artillery and

Cossacks Have Refused to Obey

the commands of their officers. The waiters' union of St. Petersburg struck yesterday and practically closed all the restaurants and hotels by forcing the waiters by threats of violence to join the strike. The hotels are crowded with land owners and refugees from the provinces. Many of them last night had actual difficulty in finding a place to procure food.

Late tonight, after an order has been issued to the prefects forbidding meetings of any description, public or private, Cossacks and troops cleared the Nevsky and Moskiam prospe ts and other thoroughfares. In many places the Cossacks used their knouts freely, even on women. It is believed that a state of siege will be declared in St. Petersburg tomorrow.

Fighting at Moscow

The situation at Moscow is exceedingly critical. A regular battle is raging in the streets of the city and a state of terror reigns. A telephone message just received by the Associated Press, says that the drumming of machine guns, volleys by infantry, and the booming of cannon can be heard at intervals. The military seems to have the upper-hand, although there are rumors that the gendarmerie and the Cossacks have revolted and have refused to fire on the people. According to this telephonic message, which was very confused owing to the excitement under which the sender was laboring, the revolutionary leaders had given the signal for an armed rising of the proletariat at six o'clock this evening, but Governor General Doubassoff discovered their plans and acted quickly. He massed

Twenty-five Thousand Troops

of all arms in Red square under the walls of the Kremlin, mounted machine guns in the towers of the old well posted artillery at intervals encircling the Liverstai boulevard and placed heavy detachments of horse and light artillery at strategic points.

The first sign of butchery occurred at two o'clock, when the troops and the cannon, which were loaded with grape, fired into a procession of workmen, carrying red flags and singing revolutionary songs as they swung to the boulevard. Since then there has been almost continual fighting somewhere in the city. The workmen threw up barricades at the triumphal arch, two places, in the Dotrovsky street and at another place, but all were assaulted and carried by the troops. The principal resistance was at the triumphal ranch, the defenders of that barricade being armed only with revolvers. They held their ground for a time against the machine guns which is cannonading them.

Brutal Treatment of Students

There are many revolting details of the day. At Fidler's school, after the students had raised the white flag and came out they were charged, ridden dow nand sabred by the dragoons. The revolutionaries retaliated wherever they caught an officer alone, and on the slightest resistance he was beaten into insensibility. Telegraph poles, wires, planks, barrels and any material available was used in the construction of the many barricades which sprang up all over the city, and as soon as one was destroyed another sprang up, as if by magic, at another place. The crowds fought the troops with intense stubbornness, using principally revolvers and hand grenades; but many hundreds of persons had revolvers and repeatedly stood their ground, even while they were being mowed by quick-firing guns. Many innocent persons were killed, among them several women. Many bodies were blown to pieces by shrapnel. On Trstait street where the crowds were enfiladed the losses were heavy. Several students were conspicuous behind the barricades, either carrying wounded or taking their places in the ranks and cheering their comrades.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNeill, who have been spending the winter at the Vancouver hotel, Vancouver, arrived last evening with their children to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Munsie of this city.

Thos. Kiddie, manager of the Crofton smelter, is here to spend Christmas at the Driard hotel.

James Mellor, of Kamloops, a pioneer rancher of the "dry belt," came down from the interior yesterday to spend the holidays in Victoria. He is a guest at the Victoria hotel.

J. C. Carruthers, manager of the Nelson branch of Pither & Leiser, was among the arrivals registered at the King Edward last night.

J. N. Paton, a well-known mining operator of Greenwood and his brother, G. A. Paton, a rancher of Armstrong, came in from the interior last night and are spending a few days at the King Edward.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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LUMBER MARKETS IN AUSTRALIA

Circular Letter Addressed to the Various Mill Owners on the Coast.

The deputy minister of agriculture has addressed the following letter to the various saw mills on the coast. It is supposed the matter is of sufficient importance to warrant active steps being taken by dealers in timber to establish the reputation of British Columbia woods in the Australian markets beyond peradventure.

(Copy.)
Victoria, Dec. 12, 1905.

Sirs—Amongst the inquiries contained in the Weekly Report of Trade and Commerce, the following occurs:

"1149. A large real estate agent and contractor in Glasgow is desirous of obtaining price of doors 7ft.x2ft. 10in., made of British Columbia cedar with cotton-wood panels, finished complete, ready for hanging—but without hardware—in lots of 4,000 c. i. f. at Glasgow.

"1157. One of the largest importers in Australia of Oregon pine, spruce, carriage woodware and builders' hardware, desires Canadian lumbermen and manufacturers to forward lowest export prices for large quantities of his requirements per specifications, obtainable from the department of trade and commerce."

"The names of the firms making these inquiries, with their addresses, can be obtained upon application to 'Supt. of Commercial Agencies, the Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa.' Please quote the reference number when requesting addresses."

(Sd.) J. R. ANDERSON,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

(Copy.)
Victoria, Dec. 22, 1905.

Sirs—I have the honor of directing your attention to the enclosed excerpts from the Weekly Report of Trade and Commerce, dated 4th December.

By "Oregon pine" of course is meant Douglas fir, and I am of opinion that British Columbia dealers in timber should take steps towards correcting the erroneous designation.

(Sd.) J. R. ANDERSON,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

As a result of my interviews with some of the largest Australian importers of Oregon pine, I have embodied their opinions for the consideration of British Columbia lumber exporters in the following summary:

1. British Columbia shippers are not making an effort to secure at least a fair proportion of the Australian lumber business. It is absolutely essential that they should keep "in touch" with the leading Australian importers of Oregon pine, and the requirements of this country, with the same energy and devotion as San Francisco lumber brokers.

2. The reputation of the grading and sawing of British Columbia lumber has to be re-established, making the marketable condition at least equal to shipments made in Puget Sound.

3. That a representative of the British Columbia lumber mills should visit Australia and ascertain the local conditions and why the trade is not larger. In every way he would accomplish much more than reams of correspondence could possibly do.

4. Melbourne lumber importers are strongly British in sentiment, and would, all things being equal, prefer to obtain their supplies from British Columbia rather than from Puget Sound ports. Shippers should remember this and endeavor to increase their Australian business by constantly studying the trade.

The quality of British Columbia lumber is admitted by Melbourne importers to be the best Oregon pine which comes to Australia, but complaints are made that the shippers are not keeping to one standard of quality, and also that the sawing is more or less irregular. One large importer of British Columbia pine stated: "The wood is splendid, but the grading is not fair, and the sawing cannot be relied upon."

A TERRIBLE FALL.

Andrew Donaldson Gravely Injured—In the Water for Two Hours.

A man named Andrew Donaldson lies in the general hospital in a critical condition as the result of a fall from the trestles of the V. W. & Y. Railway, near Westminster Bridge, at an early hour yesterday morning says the News-Advertiser. Some Japanese who were going out fishing, saw him in the water, and rescued him and called for the police, who had him removed to the hospital. It was found that he had an ugly wound in the scalp and his spinal cord had been so jarred that he had lost the use of his lower limbs. Mr. Donaldson said that the last thing he remembered was leaving a certain downtown hotel, and beyond that all is a blank, but the fact that $13 seems to have been taken from his pockets made him imagine that he had met with foul play on the bridge. Dr. Weld, who has charge of the case says that the man must have been in the water for two hours, but how he kept afloat with his paralyzed limbs he cannot explain. Mr. Donaldson's injuries are so serious that iti s doubtful whether he will recover.

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Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE

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Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 1st day of February, 1906.

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THORNTON FELL,
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Scientist on the Herring Industry

Report of Lecture Delivered by Prof. Huxley at National Fishery Exhibition.

Many Important Economica and Legal Questions Are Concerned.

A lecture delivered by Prof. Huxley at the National Fishery Exhibition, Norwich, April 21, 1881.

NO. 1.

It is now nineteen years since my attention was first specially directed to the natural history of the herring, and to the many important economical and legal questions connected with the herring fisheries. As a member of two successive Royal Commissions, it fell to my lot to take part in inquiries held at every important fishing station in the United Kingdom between the years 1862 and 1865, and to hear all that practical fishermen had to tell about the matter; while I had free access to the official records of the Fishery Boards. Nor did I neglect such opportunities as presented themselves of studying the fish itself, and of determining the scientific value of the terms by which, in the language of fishermen, the various conditions of the herring are distinguished.

Diligent sifting of the body of evidence thus collected and passed under review led to the satisfactory clearing away in my own mind of some of the obscurity which, at that time, surrounded the natural history of the fish. But many problems remained, the solution of which was not practicable by investigations which, after all, were only incidents in the course of a large inquiry, embracing a vast number of topics beside herrings and herring fisheries; and it is only within the last few years that the labors of the German West Baltic Fishery Commission have made such large additions to the state of our knowledge in 1865, that the history of the herring is brought within measureable distance of completeness.

Considering the vast importance of the herring fisheries of the Eastern counties, it occurred to me when the president of the National Fishery Exhibition did me the honor to ask me to address you, that nothing could be more likely to interest my audience than a summary statement of what is now really known about a fish which, from a fisherman's point of view, is probably the chief of fishes.

I am aware that I may lay myself open to the application of the proverb about carrying coals to Newcastle, if I commence my observations with a description of the most important distinctive characters of a fish which is so familiar to the majority of my hearers. And perhaps it is as well that I should at once express my belief that most of you are as little likely to mistake a herring for anything else as I am. Nay, I will go further. I have reason to believe that any herring-merchant, in a large way of business, who may be here, knows these fish so much better than I do, that he is able to discriminate a Yarmouth herring from a Scotch herring and both from a Norway herring; a feat which I could not undertake to perform. But then it is possible that I may know some things that he does not. He is very unlike other fishermen and fish-merchants with whom I have met, if he has any but the vaguest notions of the way of life of the fish; or if he has heard anything about those singularities of its organization which perplex biologists; or if he can say exactly how and why he knows that a herring is not a sprat, a shad, or a pilchard. And all kinds of real knowledge and insight into the facts of nature do so bear upon one another and turn out in strange ways practically helpful, that I propose to pour out my scientific budget, in the hope that something more may come out of it than the gratification of intelligent curiosity.

If anyone wants to exemplify the meaning of the word "fish" he cannot chose a better animal than a herring. The body, tapering to each end, is covered, with thin, flexible scales, which are very easily rubbed off. The taper head with its underhanging jaw is smooth and scaleless on the top; the large eye is partly covered by two folds of transparent skin, like eyelids—only immovable and with the slit between them vertical instead of horizontal; the cleft behind the gill cover is very wide and, when the cover is raised, the large red gills which lie beneath it are freely exposed. The rounded back bears the single moderately long dorsal fin about its middle.

The tail fin is deeply cleft and on careful inspection small scale are seen to be continued from the body, on to both its upper and its lower lobes, but there is no longitudinal scaly fold on either of these. The belly comes to an edge covered with a series of sharply-keeled bony shields between the throat and the vent; and behind the last is the anal fin, which is of the same length as the dorsal fin. There is a pair of fore-limbs, or pectoral fins, just behind the head; and a pair of hind-limbs, or ventral fins, are situated beneath the dorsal fin, a little behind a vertical line drawn from its front edge, and a long way in front of the vent. These fins have bony supports or rays, all of which are soft and jointed.

Like most fishes the herring is propelled chiefly by the sculling action of the tail-fin, the rest serving chiefly to preserve the balance of the body, and to keep it from turning over, as it would do if left to itself, the back being the heaviest part of the fish.

The mouth of the herring is not very large, the gape extending back only to beneath the middle of the eye, and the teeth on the upper and lower jaws are so small as to be hardly visible. Moreover, when a live herring opens its mouth, or when the lower jaw of a dead herring is depressed artificially, the upper jaw, instead of remaining fixed and stationary, travels downward and forward in such a manner as to guard the sides of the gape. This movement is the result of a curious mechanical arrangement by which the lower jaw pulls upon the upper, and I suspect that it is useful in guarding the sides of the gape when the fish gulps the small living prey upon which it feeds.

The only conspicuous teeth, and they are very small, are disposed in an elongated patch upon the tongue, and in another such patch, opposite to these, on the fore part of the roof of the mouth. The latter are attached to a bone called the vomer, and are hence termed vomerine teeth. But, if the mouth of a herring is opened widely, there will be seen, on each side, a great number of fine, long bristle-like processes, the pointed ends of which project forward. These are what are termed the gill rakers, inasmuch as they are fixed, like the teeth of a rake, to the inner sides of those arches of bone on the outer sides of which the gills are fixed. The sides of the throat of a herring, in fact, are as it were cut by four deep and wide clefts, which are separated by these gill arches, and the water which the fish constantly gulps in by the mouth flows through these clefts, over the gills and out beneath the gill covers, aerating the blood, and thus effecting respiration, as it goes. But since it would be highly inconvenienced, and indeed injurious, were the food to slip out in the same way, these gill rakers play the part of a fine sieve, which lets the water strain off, while it keeps the food in. The gill rakers of the front arches are much longer than those of the hinder arches, and as each is stiffened by a thread of bone developed in its interior, while at the same time its sides are beset with fine sharp teenth, like thorns on a brier, I suspect that they play some part in crushing the life out of the small animals on which the herring prey.

Between these arches there is, in the middle line, an opening which leads to the gullet. This passes back into a curious conical sac which is commonly termed the stomach, but which has more the character of a crop. Coming off from the under side of the sac and communicating with it, by a narrow opening, there is an elongated tubular organ, the walls of which are so thick and muscular that it might almost be compared to a gizzard. It is directed forwards, and opens by a narrow prominent aperture into the intestine, which runs straight back to the vent. Attached to the commencement of the intestines there is a score or more of larger and shorter tubular organs which are called the pyloric caeca. These open into the intestine, and their apertures may be seen on one side of it, occupying an oval space, in the middle of which they are arranged three in a row.

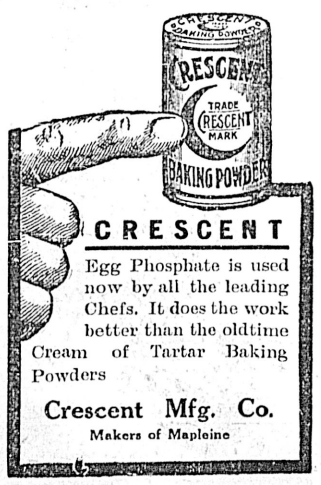
The chief food of the herring consists of minute crustacea, some of them allied to the shrimps and prawns, but the majority belonging to the same division as the common Cyclops of our fresh waters. These tenant many parts of the ocean in such prodigious masses that the water is discolored by them for miles together, and every sweep of a fine net brings up its tens of thousands.

Everybody must have noticed the silvery air-bladder of the herring, which lies immediately under the backbone, and stretches from close to the head to very near the vent, being wide in the middle and tapering off to each end. In its natural state it is distended with air; and if it is pricked the elastic wall shrinks and drives the air out, as if it were an India-rubber ball. When the connections of this air bladder are fully explored it turns out to be one of the most curious parts of the organizations of the whole animal.

In the first place the pointed end of the sac or crop into which the gullet is continued runs back into a very slender duct which turns upward and eventually opens into the middle of the air-bladder. The canal of this duct is so very small and irregularly twisted, that, even if the air-bladder is squeezed, the air does not escape into the sac. But, if air is forced into the sac by means of a blowpipe, the air passes without much difficulty the other way, and the air-bladder becomes fully distended. When the pressure is removed, however, the air-bladder diminishes in size to a certain extent, showing that the air escapes somewhere. And if the blowing up of the air-bladder is performed while the fish is under water, a fine stream of air-bubbles may be seen to escape close to the vent. Careful anatomical investigation, in fact, shows that the air-bladder does not really end at the point where its silvery coat finishes, but that a delicate tube is continued thence to the left side of the vent, and there ends by an opening of its own.

Now the air-bladder of all fishes is, to begin with, an outgrowth from the front part of the alimentary canal, and there are a great many fishes in which as in the herring, it remains throughout life in permanent communication with the gullet. But it is rare to find the duct so far back as in the herring; and, at present, I am not aware that the air bladder opens externally in any fishes except the herring and a few of its allies.

(To Be Continued.)



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THE HUMOR OF ASIA

A human mandarin of Sing Yuen, who was more of a statesman than a tax-gatherer, when asked by his Viceroy why he did not "comb" his district finer, replied: "We must make soup of the eggs, and not of the hen." The Chinese petty thief greases his pig tail, and also his bare, shining shoulders. A bland looking, furtive mannered stranger from the provinces, promenading in Hong Kong, with a finely oiled queue, is enough for the wary Sikh police. The smile is at once transferred from the Mongol to the Hindoo face, as the suspect is led by the pig-tail to headquarters to explain his extravagance in pomades. The Chinese boast of the size of the Consultations at the bed of the sick. Physicians are never paid unless the patient recovers. No less than three hundred and sixteen doctors met lately to discuss a princes illness which being slight, they all had high hopes of apportioning among themselves a generous fee. The prince, a royal humorist, was so amused that he concluded to die, and three hundred and sixteen surgeons charged to experience their palanquin fares, and the loss of a three days journey! The Southern Chinese have a proverb: "Why is a pig fat?" They answer: "So that he cannot travel far from his mud and 'learn that he is a pig; if he should visit a Tien Esin lark he would 'grieve himself thin that he could not fly; if he heard the lark sing, he 'would of envy die." When a Chinaman is ill in general, he selects a piece of cure-all ginseng root, which resembles as nearly as possible the two limbs and arms of a human being, and makes a tea. If he has a headache, that piece of ginseng root is selected which looks round, has spots on it like eyes, and small roots like hair. At Tsi Nan in the days of the bow and arrow, the Shan Tung army was wont to practice archery on the parade ground. It was the law that the civil mandarins who managed the conscription, should show a good example to the troops by exhibiting their official skill at the target. It was most noticeable that although the mandarins practiced extortion more than archery, every time their bow strings twanged, a "bull's-eye" was returned. The Dowager Empress, Tze Hsi has during a long virtual regency been gradually given by an indulgent board of ceremonies, many titles, such as: "The Compassionate Benefactor; "The Ever Prepared;" "The Long Lived;" "The Reposeful," and "The Reverent in Sacrifices." Here alone was the cream of the selected adjectives of the dictionary. On her last birthday the Board of Ministers happily discovered two more titles, one of them facetiously applicable to recent events: "The Happy Returned One" and "The Ever Beautiful Ont of the Purest Kingdom." With the wit of Elizabeth, Tze Hai, waived her ministers aside: "We shall not inflict supplicants of this Dragon Throne with additional titles to "halter their petitions; in lieu we shall accept a new palace and a mausoleum." The Board of Public Works is now worrying where two millions are to come from for the palace, and one million for the tomb. When palace intrigue was "rounded up" and escape had been made impossible, the former Dowager Empress, Tsi An, after detailing the evidence to the culprits, used to add this sardonic peroration: "Princes, you will now honor yourselves by "committing suicide, for this Throne does not care to indulge in murder." When a Chinese University magazine refuses a student's MS., it is rejected somewhat as follows: "This is too wonderful; it is the greatest of the year. Were it printed, it would establish a standard which could never again be reached. Should the Emperor see it, he would order nothing of less excellence printed. Do not, generous one, thus close our press but let us use its print to praise you forever." In the trenches at Kullencheng a Japanese private, who could not speak Russian, handed a dust-covered perspiring prisoner a paper handkerchief. The elaborate mannered Russ handed the favor back to the Jap with many genuflections of thanks, which the little man believed was excitement. Several times the courtesy was shuttled, the Russ each time becoming increased gratitude, and the Jap's face wrinkling in irritated surprise. A fourth time the Russ handed back the handkerchief. Drawing his bayonet, the Jap stuck the article on the end of it, and with his first sardonic grin, pointed it toward the Russian. It was accepted with avidity! At Liaoyang a Japanese picket came in with two stalwart bewhiskered Russians lassoed to an ammunition wagon. Headquarters demanded what the indignity meant. The reply was that one of the prisoners dropped his bayonet on which was stuck a white flag of surrender, and rushed toward the Japanese, throwing his arms around the little fellow. "It was a ruse to bite me," said the picket. Interrogating the prisoners, the lieutenant received this answer in Russian: "I was so glad that the little yellow brother did not 'shoot, I tried to kiss him." The Japanese not only flagrantly infringe American brands, but they humorously lacquer the packages with best Japanned English. Here are some of the labels:

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Bottles of nicely stained water bore the following:

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A tooth powder informs: These dentifrices is best for leaving Teethache: "made at Colgate Foreign." My friend Soy On Chong, in Hong Kong, used to have his tea leaves speak for themselves in yellow lacquered English on the packages, "We are extra Choice Direct Leaves from Formosa Oo Long Teas." In a three days' armistice to bury the dead after a five days' battle, the pickets of the wings of both armies used to frequent a Chinaman's samschu shop in a village between the lines along the Hun. It got to be called "The Club." One night a Jap indulged to freely and his pockets were picked by this humorous Russian acquaintance of three days' time. Next morning, before the artillery commenced to fire, an indignant little Nipponite approached the Russian lines, waving a white handkerchief. Asking to be conducted to the officer of the day, he told him in English what was in common use, that he had "been robbed at the Club." When the amused Major heard the whole tale, he took delight in calling in the picket of the night before, compelling him to disgorge the money, and speeding the grinning Jap in safe escort to his pickets. English was quite generally used between the lines. A big hearted Moscow Russ of General Launitz division, with the glow of the ikons in his soul, asked a severely wounded Jap in the captured trenches at Mukden, during the favorable battle of March 7th, if he had made his peace with God. The Jap answered: "Me only quarrelsome with Russ." When European houses were first built in China, the simpler of the natives took them for shrines of "devils." It was not uncommon to see bowing uncovered heads before one's compound gate, and when the obeisance was concluded a few copper lee would be tossed over the wall in conciliation of the evil spirits within. The Chinese believe that the buffalo is the American sacred emblem. On the fans which are now being distributed throughout south China by the boycotters, the "sacrilegious Americans" are pictured as beating even their patron beast. In a coast village of Quang Tung, the antiquarian will find an old shop with the sign: "All conditions Buddhas gilt and "sold to Foreen man." The owner once exhibited what he called a "Buddha of the Hat," which was the rarest of all Buddhas up to that time, as the Chinese Buddha is generally unsurmounted excepting with the close cap and button. This wondrous Buddha was nothing else than a broken statuette of Napoleon Bonaparte, which had found its way from the ballast dumpings of a French sailing vessel at Yaw Matee. When the Chinese small-footed women carried pick-a-back, even through the streets of the European settlements in Chinese cities, by the large-footed women coolies. In rushing the towns between Tien Tsin and Pekin, the allied troops were convulsed to see following the retreating Boxers, what looked like school being dismissed to "play horse." It was the servants scurrying out of the cities with the small-footed women on their backs. No greater mark of veneration can be shown by a son to his gray-bearded father than to present the reverent and wealthy gentleman with his coffin, delivered at the family address. The old man, moved to grateful tears, will conduct his friends, as long as he lives, to behold his lacquered last resting place, which is stored in the more secluded of the living rooms, as a monument of filial admiration. During the life of the Emperor, a box, which is sealed till his death, is kept in the royal vestibule. Certain scholars and we hope that they may never be humorists, are appointed to frequently drop in the opening of the box, remarks on those sayings and habits of the Emperor, which in their opinion should be transmitted to posterity. By the number of filled boxes which are sealed and put away, the Emperor takes his choice in guessing if quality in this case equals the sycophantic quantity. The herders of Kowloon have this witticism on stubbornness: "The proper way to drive a pig is the opposite way." When the Empress Dowager, who is seventy-five, becomes disconsolate over the language of the mirror, she commands photographs to be procured of women of the same age as herself throughout the Empire. The Board of Ceremonies presents with much awe the pictures of those who are fifteen years older, and all is serene again. As the Empress approaches 80 years of age, it will probably be difficult to recruit the Board of Ceremonies!

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Collector's List of Lands or Improvements on Real Property Within the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

To be sold for Taxes, Interest and Costs on the TWENTY-NINTH day of December, 1905, at the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1905," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid. If sold, the said Lands and Improvements will be chargeable with a proportion of the Legal Costs of and incidental to the obtaining of the Judge's Order confirming such Sale.

Lot. 1	Block. 2	Section. 3	Land and Improvements. 4	Assessed Owner. 5	Registered Owner. 6	Total Amount of Taxes due to the 31st Dec., 7	Expenses of Sale 1902, unpaid. 8	Interest. 9	Taxes, Interest and Costs. 10
991	9		L. & I.	Mrs. G. Lawrence	George Roper Lawrence	32 40	3 25	5 85	41 50
992	9		L. & I.	Mrs. G. Lawrence	Prosper Mene	22 80	3 05	4 10	29 95
993	9		L.	G. R. Lawrence	Half lot Prosper Mene, other half title not reg'sd.	21 60	3 04	3 90	28 54
997	17		L.	Frank S. Montero.	Joseph Montero	21 60	3 04	3 90	28 54
1097	17		L. & I.	Frank S. Montero	Joseph Montero	28 80	3 20	5 20	37 20
1081	8		L. & I.	Mrs. M. H. Watkins et al	John Watkins	24 00	3 10	4 30	31 40
1211	28		L. & I.	Ada Lombard	Ada Lombard	31 20	3 23	5 60	40 03
10 of 1777-91	61		L.	W. J. Hylan	Wm. J. Hylan	20 80	3 03	4 25	28 08
15	27	Beckley Farm	L.	Walter Clarke	Isabella Clark	6 25	2 73	1 10	10 08
Pt. 16 45x	27	Beckley Farm	L. & I.	Walter Clarke	Isabella Clark	8 65	2 78	1 55	12 98
9	East ½	5-acre Lot VI.	L.	Eberts and Taylor	Auguste Pujol	7 20	2 75	1 30	11 25
10	East ½	5-acre Lot VI.	L.	Eberts and Taylor	Auguste Pujol	7 20	2 75	1 30	11 25
48	3	74	L.	Joseph Greer	Eliza Jane Greer	4 32	2 70	75	7 77
5	4	74	L.	Emma Williams	Emma Williams	2 40	2 65	45	5 50
3	2	Oaklands	L.	S. J. Booth	J. A. Booth & L. A. Booth	6 46	2 74	1 55	10 75
W. pt. 42 (23x104	69-72	Spring Ridge	L. & I.	Mrs. M. R. Robbin	Clara O. Haggerty	11 40	2 83	2 65	16 28
3	73	Spring Ridge	L.	Mrs. H. Henderson	Georgina C. Henderson	9 20	2 80	1 90	13 90
11 of 1	7-9	Fernwood	L.	Miss H. E. McLaughlin	Hannah E. McLaughlin	2 91	2 66	50	6 07
12 of 1	7-9	Fernwood	L.	Miss H. E. McLaughlin	Hannah E. McLaughlin	2 65	2 66	45	5 76
15 of 1	7-9	Fernwood	L.	Miss H. E. McLaughlin	Hannah E. McLaughlin	2 25	2 65	40	5 30
38	53 and 64	Fernwood	L.	J. A. Van Tassell	E. C. Stephenson	4 40	2 70	1 05	8 15
39	53 and 64	Fernwood	L.	J. A. Van Tassell	E. C. Stephenson	4 40	2 70	1 05	8 15
1	53 and 64	Fernwood	L.	Mrs. F. Adams	Fred Adams, Jr.	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
55	53 and 64	Fernwood	L.	Archibald Lees	Archibald Lees	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
3	54-5	Fernwood	L. & I.	Trustees Odd Fellows Hall	J. Barker and 58 others	19 68	3 00	3 55	26 23
243	13	" " 'A'	L.	Emma Williams	Emma Williams	9 60	2 80	1 70	14 10
244	13	" " 'A'	L.	Emma Williams	Emma Williams	9 60	2 80	1 70	14 10
3 of 3	7-9	Saanich Ext'ns'n	L.	Sam Wal	Sam Wal	8 28	2 77	1 50	12 55
10 of 4	7-9	Saanich Ext'ns'n	L.	Sam Wal	Sam Wal	6 90	2 74	1 25	10 89
8 of 5	7-9	Saanich Ext'ns'r	L.	H. R. Ella	Henry Reece Ella	8 05	2 75	1 70	12 50
15 of 5	7-9	Saanich Ext'ns'r	L.	H. R. Ella	Henry Reece Ella	8 29	2 77	1 75	12 81
7	8-12	10 Vic. West	L.	John Fraser	John Fraser	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
8	8-12	10 Vic. West	L.	John Fraser	John Fraser	6 00	2 73	1 10	9 83
57	G	31 Vic. West	L.	James Birney	James Birney	20 70	3 02	4 30	28 02
189	V	31 Vic. West	L.	J. Nagle	Jeremiah Nagle	7 20	2 75	1 30	11 25
55	Springfield	31 Vic. West	L. & I.	Percy A. Raymond	Elizabeth Raymond	13 92	2 88	2 50	19 30

N. B.—In column numbered 4 in above list the letter "L" means Land, and "L and I" mean Land and Improvements.

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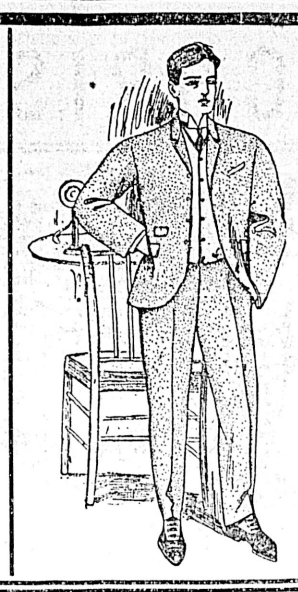

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IN THE WORLD OF LABOR

CHRISTMAS BELLS.

Across the ewilight fields of time they ring,
Those Christmas bells of all the vanished years.
How tender is their echo in our ears
Of all the joys that home and friends can bring;
Of dear delusions that to childhood cling;
Of buoyant hopes, unvexed by anxious fears
Of laughter mingled with no trace of tears—
How clear they ring! How faint their echoing!

And still they ring, with peal like that of yore,
The same, yet not the same; for more and more
Too bitter-sweet their undertones resound,
Commingling with the thoughts e'er circling round—
As doves their homes—those 'yond earth's changing climes;
On those rapt ear fall Heav'n's blest Christmas chimes.

—Adene Williams.

Two hundred and ninety-five unions of the International Typographical Union have now secured agreements for the eight-hour day, which comes into force New Year's Day.

The manager of the Western Fuel Co. presented each of the married miners at Nanaimo collieries with a turkey as a Christmas present.

Journeymen barbers of Minneapolis are conducting an early closing compaign.

Twenty-one locals are affiliated with the Pacific Coast Council of Electrical Workers.

A labor union of telephone electricians has been formed at Boston, Mass.

A union label league of 100 active workers, in the good it can do, is stronger than a union of 1,000 members.

The average life of soap boilers in manufacturing occupations, is the highest, and that of grindstone makers the lowest.

There are 275 branches of the Plasterers International Association in the United States and Canada, with a membership of 15,000.

Trades unions in Great Britain are particularly strong in the system of high weekly dues, sick benefits, death and traveling benefits.

A Kirkcaldy, Scotch herring boat's crew cleared $850 as the result of one night's fishing. They brought 80,000 herrings into Scarboro.

An organizer has been appointed by the A. F. of L. to devote several months in organizing the papermakers throughout the United States.

The members of the local Shipwright's Association has donated the sum of $20 to be divided per caplia between the Protestant and Catholic Orphanages.

Boston, Mass., Central Labor Union has endorsed the demand of Boston electrical Workers' Union for the establishment of a municipal electric light plant in Boston.

In the west of Scotland the steel workers will hereafter be advanced or reduced 2½ per cent. for every rise or fall in price of 5s. in ship plates. Previously the rise or fall was 5 per cent.

A strike in the South Staffordshire and Worcester rivet and stud trade for an advance of 10 per cent. in wages has terminated, the whole of the employers having agreed to concede the advance, after a strike of ten weeks.

Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders' Society of England have arranged with a firm of patent agents to advise members of the society on improvements or new inventions which they may devise. The object is to encourage inventors.

Railway employees on the Caledonian railway, in Scotland, have lodged with the directors their claims for higher wages and shorter hours of labor—10 hours for drivers, firemen and goods guards, and eight hours for shunters.

Massachusetts State Executive Board of the A. F. of L. endorsed a movement to secure the nine-hour work-day for street railway employees, and will present a bill to that effect to the next legislature and urge its passage.

In New York City alone there are twenty-five unions of the United Garment Workers of America, and they have done much in bringing about the abolition of the sweat shops, where so many lives have been sacrificed.

Governor Folk of Missouri, has sent out instructions to all state mine inspectors to enforce the eight-hour day, which the United States court has declared to be constitutional.

P. H. Morrissery, grandmaster of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, urges that railroad companies be compelled to pension the widows and orphans of deceased employees killed by accident.

According to replies received from laborers in all walks of life in Iowa to State Labor Commissioner Bingham, child labor is opposed by all, and the majority are in favor of the eight-hour day.

Announcement is made that the sum of $8,000 has been realized for James Wood, a member of the Cigarmakers' Union, who was injured near Palatka, Fla., about three years ago, by being shot in the left arm, which has since been amputated. An assessment of twenty cents was levied on each member.

A conference of 200 labor delegates from all parts of the Transvaal recently met at Pretoria, South Africa. Ex-General Botha sent a resolution sympathsizing with its efforts to make the Transvaal a white man's country, as embodied in the motion which recommended the prohibition of Asiatic immigration.

The Clyde patternmakers, who originally demanded an advance of a halfpenny per hour, have accepted an immediate advance of a farthing, and resumed work.

United Mine Workers have perfected plans whereby the rock workers will be organized under the jurisdiction of the miners' union. It is not intended that there shall be separate local unions; but, in the event of disputes arising in connection with the cutting of rock, conventions composed exclusively of rock workers will be called.

In Germany the strike in the building trades of Westphalia and the lower Rhine, has been definitely settled. An agreement embodying the new working rules, scale of wages, etc., was signed by the representatives of the masters' and men's organizations. The working hours are ten for the whole district, and runs from 1-5d. to 6 ½d., according to the size of the towns in the district. The strike and lock-out had lasted three months. The agreement runs till April 30th, 1908.

A great industrial conflict is raging in Germany, and it is likely to extend. The dispute originated with the electrical workers, who demanded an advance in wages on the ground that the cost of living had so increased that they were unable to live decently on the rates paid. As the employers refused to comply with the workers' demands, the men struck work. The sympathies of other workers in the metal trades were aroused, and they have determined to support those on strike. The number of electrical workers out is about 40,000.

At a meeting of the Winnipeg Epworth League Society, held last week, the following resolution was passed unanimously: "That we condemn the action of the Winnipeg Printers' combine in importing from England a large number of men to be used as strikebreakers, and promise to the men affected whatever support may be legitimately given, and that this resolution be forwarded to the public press."

In a suit brought by Andrew J. Fulton, of Brooklyn, against the William Diamond Co., before the supreme court in New York, it has come to light that Fulton had a contract to send Italian laborers from the United States to the Hawaiian Islands, which was rescinded because Japanese were cheaper. He also says that he secured over 3,000 Italians and wants $2 a head for them, which, added to his services, make a total of $21,000.

The recent convention of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees at Chicago, Ill., established an old age pension fund, which is the first of its kind in the United States of America in connection with a labor organization. The pension, which will amount to from $4 to $12 a month, permits a man to retain his individuality and does not compel him to enter any home or institution for the care of the homeless or needy.

Los Angeles Central Labor Council has taken up the suggestion of the local Women's Union Label League to hold a fair at which will be displayed union labels and union label products. It is regarded by its promoters that this method would be a great educator and bring more prominently before union labor people the value and use of the union label than anything yet devised.

The labor commissioner of the state of Indiana in his report for the year that the average weekly wages of the carriage and wagon workers of that State are $9.98 per week. These same carriage workers were held up as an example of what excellent conditions non-union men enjoyed in comparison with that of union carriage workers in a recent speech of a large anti-union employer.

The New York Labor Bulletin, just published by the Department of Labor, states that in the second quarter of 1905 the bureaus of mediation and arbitration recorded 96 new disputes, as compared with 43 in the corresponding period of 1905. One-half, (28) of the disputes were for higher wages, and resulted in a large majority of cases (19) in the complete or partial success of the workmen. That the number of employers involved in trade disputes, however, was only one-third as large as it was a year ago is due mainly to the progress of the joint agreement system which substitutes arbitration for industrial warfare.

Preparations are said to be under way for a vast shut-down among the coal operators of the United States. The anthracite operators of the East held a secret meeting in Philadelphia a few days ago. They thrashed out the subject as to whether the anthracite operators had better grant the demands to be made by John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America.

Unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor have gone on record as arrayed on the side of the oppressed Jews of Russia by means of the letter which Samuel Gompers, a short time ago, sent to Count Witte containing a message to the Russian workers, which urged them to use their united powers to suppress the atrocities committed against the Jews of Russia.

The Presbyterian Ministers' League of Kansas City, Mo., recently made overtures to the Industrial Council of that city with a view to securing fraternal affiliation between the two organizations, the object being to bring about closer relationship between the church and the workmen of Kansas City. The proposal was unanimously adopted by the Industrial Council.

The conditions of the workingmen in Japan is a most miserable one. They are working generally twelve hours a day, and sometimes fifteen hours. Ordinarily workmen receive from 5 to 20 cents a day; skilled laborers a little more; girls earn from 2 to 20 cents, and children only a few cents per day. Even skilled mechanics receive but 25 cents per day. Japanese policemen get only $12 per month. Carpenters earn 40 cents per day.

It is reported that unskilled labor is scarce in Nevada. The work of constructing the railroad from Toano to Ely, in White Pine county, in all probably will be abandoned or at least delayed for several months because the contractors find it imposible to secure a sufficient number of laborers to carry on the work.

Encouraging news come from England of the sucess of the Labor Representative Committee in the recent municipal elections. During the past three years the happy coalition of the Independent Labor Party with the organized trades unionists of Great Britain has been the means of securing the return of independent labor candidates in the various city and borough councils, who have proved themselves to be capable administrators, as well as men of high ideals. Encouraged by these successes and by the excellent example of their comrades in office, the L. R. C. has this year made a determined attack upon the citadel, with the result that the complete returns show a gain of between fifty and sixty seats to the candidates.

Another demonstration of the unemployed occurred in London last week, but the diminished numbers of the participants and the absence of spectators indicated waning interests in these operations of the social democratic league. The paraders traveled Belgrave Square in order to show themselves to Premier Campbell-Bannerman. A couple of representatives were admitted to interview the premier, who had invited John Burns, the labor leader, who recently visited Victoria. The president of the local government board to be now known, expressed a desire for his appointment to the presidency of the local government board, so that he might deal with the unemployed question. The premier replying to the deputation, said he greatly sympathized with the men who were out of work, and he would give the fullest consideration to the question.

There are about 200 licensed motor-omnibuses in London, and the number is increasing. The number of passengers carried daily by the Vanguard motor-omnibus at work is about 1,000. The omnibuses are on the streets about eighteen hours a day, the first one out of the yard starting at 5:30 in the morning. "The motor-men have a considerable advantage," said an official of the company, "over those employed for the horse-drawn omnibus. The motor-omnibus is all in their favor. The actual wages, it may be, are about the same. We pay motor drivers £2 8s. a week, and conductors £2 2s. The drivers and conductors of horse omnibuses have to work from fourteen to sixteen hours a day. A 'Vanguard' runs about eighteen hours a day. But there are two shifts of of men to work it: the morning shift and the late shift; so that our men have an average day of about nine hours only." Clearly, then, the motor-omnibus chauffeur has a fairly paid position. Of course, he has to know all the ropes, or rather all the works. He is instructed at the yard, and then an expert goes out with him on a practicing omnibus until he acquires confidence. The horse driver is, as a rule, the best raw material to turn into a chauffeur. He has confidence, and nerve, and caution, and can dodge other vehicles when less experienced men would pull up.

In Germany children under thirteen years of age cannot be employed at any occupation. Children under sixteen years can only be employed between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Children between thirteen and fourteen years of age must pass an examination as to their educational attainments, and can only be employed six hours a day, with one-half intermission for recreation. Between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years boys and girls can be employed only for ten hours a day, with one hour for dinner.

The Labor Representation Committee as a distinctive part of the British Trades Congress has now been in existence many years and the result of its efforts is the presence of the present time in the British House of Commons of fourteen to twenty labor members, with exceedingly good prospects of a considerable addition to that number at the next general elections. A membership of over 1,600,000 is now organized, and may be depended upon for the support of workingmen candidates in the coming struggle in the British Isles. It would seem to be rather a far-away prospect to look for any such material results in this new world.

How easy it is for the critics of any movement to overlook the good therein and see only that which they believe to be evil. They say nothing about the effort made by the trade union movement to take the children out of the factory, the mine, and the mill, and give the man opportunity for education and physical development that is impossible while they are kept at work. They have no praise for the successful effort that the trade union has made to place the wages of working women who perform the same labor as men on the same basis. No other society has ever accomplished this, and while it is not universal with the trade unions it is only where women are members of the unions that they receive the same pay as men for the same work. For the reduction of the hours of labor that has been accomplished through organized efforts of the working class no commendation is to be had from those desirous of its destruction. The increase of wages amounting to millions of dollars a year, which means a better life for the working people, appears to be of no consequence in the estimation of those who are so continuously talking about the "degenerating tendency" of the trade union movement. The truth is, that the very success of the trade unions in advancing the moral, intellectual and physical condition of their members incites our opponents to dwell upon the mistakes or alleged mistakes that are made by the union members.—John B. Lennon in American Federationist.

Secretaries of labor unions will confer a favor upon the labor editor if they will forward any items of general interest occurring in their unions to The Colonist.

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STAGE AMUSEMENTS

Yesterday, the final engagement of the Roscians Comic Opera company being cancelled, the work of altering the Victoria theatre was commenced. The floor will be raised as the first work. In order to allow time for the repairs the Shogun and the Williams Opera company, an aggregation of juveniles with Mr. Ernest Wolf, formerly of Victoria as leader, were cancelled. The theatre will reopen with an engagement of Buster Brown at the beginning of the year.

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It is over seven months since Miss Anne Abbott, the Georgia wonder was at the Grand giving the same demonstrations of her remarkable magnetic or hypnotic powers as she will give next week where she is booked as the leading feature at very heavy expense. Many will remember the nature of the feats which excited the wonder of the audiences at that time. How the diminutive woman showed herself possessed of some mysterious power—magnetic, hypnotic, mesmeric ,or whatever you might like to call it—which enabled her to set at naught the combined strength of half a dozen men; how she could lift four or five big men piled up in a chair, and how several men with combined effort could not force a billiard cue, held lightly in her hands, toward the floor. These and other feats will be repeated upon her coming visit. A strange part of Miss Abbott's power is that if she does not touch the flesh of the person lifting it is an easy to lift her as any other person of her weight. Another peculiar part about the woman's strange power is that she cannot successfully resist if she is standing on carpet, metal or rubber. An interesting experiment is when she temporarily transfers some of her strange power to children in various parts of the audience, who are enabled, at the moment, to resist the efforts of the strongest man to lift them from the floor. As remembered from years gone by, it is a wonderful art, and Manager Jamieson can rest assured of bumper houses next week from this feature.

The bill also includes Laurel & Southern, (Daisy & Lee,) who will present Charles E. Royal's one-act grief exterminator entitled "A Drummer's Samples," Frank Hayes, impersonator and monologist. The three Voltons in an exceptionally clear acrobatic act; Miss Alice Wildermere will sing the illustrated song, "Like a Star That Falls from Heaven," and the moving pictures are entitled "On a Good Old Trolley Ride." There will be no matinee on Monday as the performers do not arrive until Monday afternoon.

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It is seldom that an actor received such an ovation as was accorded to David Warfield, star of "The Music Master," at the annual dinner of the American Dramatists' club, at Delmonico's. The dean of American dramatists, Bronston Howard, made the opening speech at the dinner, and he spoke admiringly of the way Mr. Warfield carried out his conception of a character which will long live as one of the wonderful stage types of this generation. Since Mr. Warfield was the guest of honor at the dinner, it was natural that the president should speak in a complimentary vein. On the other hand, it is proof that David Warfield has done something worthy of thoughtful recognition, when he is made the important guest of such a body as the Dramatists' club. Comprising in its membership all the men in America who have written good plays, it is not offering its praise and good will to every actor. Last year its guest of honor was a dramatist. This time it could not find anyone more popular, on account of artistic achievement, than this quiet young actor, with his gentle, thoughtful face and singularly keen mind. Warfield has a strong sense of humor as he shows on the stage, in "The Music Master." It is a natural possession, for he had the whole company at Delmonico's laughing uproariously throughout most of his well considered reply to the toast to his health.

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"As Ye Sow," the new play written by the Rev. John Snyder, of Boston, and produced with so much success in Chicago and Boston by William A. Brady and Joseph R. Grismer, is to begin an engagement in New York, at the Garden theatre on Christmas Day. It is expected that the play will run all through the balance of the season. So popular was the play in Boston that a full house attended a performance given on Thanksgiving morning.

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Among the properties used in David Belasco's production of the Japanese classic, "The Darling of the Gods," is a Japanese praying box. It is used in the third act and ornaments a small shelf over the shrine of the Princess Yo-San's mother. Mr. Belasco's insistence on correctness of detail is well known, and because of it this praying box came from Japan, whence it was imported through a New York firm that deals principally in such articles, and the most of whose customers are wealthy curio hunters. The box is a most interesting trifle. It is of polished black wood, about one foot and a half in height. Its interior is a mass of queer-looking golden bangles, each of which has some symbolism, and upon a little platform directly over the centre of the base of the box is a small golden statue of the great god, Buddha. There is probably not another box of the kind in the United States.

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This is the estimate of the Bernhardt of today, made by a leading New York critic: "In one respect," he says in the course of an allusion to Mrs. Patrick Campbell's "Sorceress," "Mrs. Campbell has the advantage of her far greater contemporary and that was the priceless gift of youth. It would be useless, as well as dishonest, to pretend that the Sarah Bernhardt of today is still in full possession of those subtle physical charms—the delicate facial outlines, the eyes aglow with hidden fires, the willowy form and the agile and impulsive movement, swift, graceful, and sure, like that of the leopard—which exercised so potent a spell twenty-five or thirty years ago, or that she is able to impersonate youth in its earliest bloom. Envious time has left indelible traces of his passage on both face and figure, but he has been powerless to quench the ardor of her spirit, diminish her art, or lessen her vigor. Is it probable, indeed, that her powers of emotional expression were never so great as now, while her art, manifested in a thousand little devices seemingly insignificent in themselves, but, nevertheless, essential to the completeness of the designed picture—is in the meridian of its maturity."

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Mr. James K. Hackett has formed an alliance with Mr. Frank Curzon, a prominent London manager, by which Mr. Curzon's London attractions will be played in America under the direction of Mr. Hackett, while the American manager's productions will be done in London under the fostering care of Mr. Curzon. This is similar to the arrangement that existed between Mr. Charles Frohman and Mr. George Edwardes, and now exists between Mr. Edwards and Klaw and Erlanger.

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Mme. Rejane, whose domestic difficulties have been public property for a long time, has been officially separated from her husband, M. Porel, who was granted a divorce in Paris recently. Mme. Rejane also sued for divorce but lost, though M. Porel succeeded with his counter suit. M. Porel and Mme. Rejane were married for twenty years before they found it necessary to separate.

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Joseph Murphy, who was in Victoria this season, is to retire from the stage Christmas week. It is said he has amassed a fortune of over one million dollars, thanks to the long popularity of "The Kerry Gow" and "Shaun Rhu," Mr. Murphy is seventy-one years old.

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"The Prodigal Son," as soon as the scenery destroyed in the recent fire on the stage of the Grand Opera House, New York, is rebuilt, will take to the road again with almost an entirely new cast. Edward Morgan has left the company and so has Dina de Wolf. Newcomers in the cast will be Maul Granger, Edwin Arden and Wore Davidson. The new tour will begin about Christmas.

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An interesting paragraph in Mr. Bangham's review of the London season is as follows: "In the Italian performances, Signor Caruso was a hero. Next to him the greatest success was made by Madame Donalda, a Canadian Jewess, who has a beautiful voice and sings and acts with passion and intelligence. She has not yet the brilliant style of a prima donna, of the first rank, but she is still very young and inexperienced." It will interest many Canadians to know Mme. Donalda's identity. She is the daughter of a working tailor in Montreal, named Lightson, and was reared in very humble circumstances. The wife of Rabbi da Sola, of Montreal, took an interest in the girl when she heard her beautiful voice. She succeeded in interesting Lord Strathcona also, who undertook the cost of her education abroad. Out of gratitude to her benefactor, she took the name of Donalda, his christian name being Donald and has come to the front with remarkable rapidity.

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Englebert Humperdinck, the gifted composer of "Hansel and Gretel," has written some charming music for "The Merchant of Venice," a sort of musical setting to the scene in which Bassamo makes choice of the right casket, and also a nocturne for the last act in the garden at Belmont. This exquisite composition reaches its highest point in the love scene between Lorenzo and Jessica, where Lorenzo sayse:

The man that hath no music in himself,
Nor is not moved with concord of sweet sounds,
Is fit for treasons, stratagems, and spoils, Mark the music!

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The repetition or certain words in the titles of Augustin Daly's plays indicates their antecedent felicitous service. For example, one of the first plays to win even partial appreciation was "An Arabian Night," and so afterward he presented "Red Letter Nights" and "A Night Off." The street number of the little theatre down on Broadway which proved so fortunate a house for him after the burning of the original Fifth Avenue theatre was 728, and one of his early successes at the present Daly's theatre was the bright little comedy called "7-20-8." "The Royal Middy" had a comparatively fair run, and so he tried "Royal Youth," whose disastrous finish ended his faith in that direction. "Love in Harness," "The Railroad of Love," "Love on Crutches," "Love in Tandem" followed one another under the same dominance. And an additional person was brought into the banquet scene of "The Taming of the Shrew" on the discovery that just thirteen people were originally represented in this notably beautiful stage picture.

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Enrico Caruso's first appearance in French is to be made on January 3, when he will sing the title role in "Faust." For a long time he has promised to learn a role in French, and the noted Italian tenor is said to be ready now to take the plunge. Mme. Sames will make her appearance with the company at the Metropolitan in this performance. She is to sing nine times. In the cast will be MM. Plancon and Scotti, also.

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Every one who has been in London of late years knows Huntley Wright, the original Baboo of "The Cingalee," and creator of a host of similar low-comedy parts at Daly's theatre, and will therefore be interested in the news of his successful return to "the legitimate." Moreover, it took place in part in a piece which deals with a Canadian theme. "The Little Father of the Wilderness," of Lloyd Osborne and Austin Strong is a delicious little curtain raiser which we shall hope some day to see in montreal. The Little Father is Pere Marlotte, a Jesuit missionary, who has carried his religion—and as a consequence the French flag—into the wilds of Canada. He returns to France broken in body through the tortures he has suffered, but when he receives a summons to go to Versailles to see Louis XV. he feels more than rewarded. But the king had only sent for him to decide a bet as to the height of Niagara and the priest is abashed and ashamed. But luckily, it happens, as things do happen in play, that before he leaves the presence the chevalier de Frontenac, the governor of New France, is received in audience, and from the chevalier the king learns the heroism of the priest and kneels to ask his blessing as archbishop of Toulouse. Mr. Huntley Wright was evidently very successful in the pathetic humor of the part.

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Mr. Tree is now rehearsing Mr. Stephen Phillips' poetic drama "Nero," which will be produced at His Majesty's theatre, London, on or about January 11. The play is divided into a prolugue and three acts.

One of the two spectacular scenes will be a setting of a Roman feast in the Palace of the Caesars, during which young Britannicus, the rightful heir to the throne is done to death. The other spectacle, with which the play will end, will be the burning of Rome, with Nero from the roof of his palace looking down upon the spreading sea of fire.

Mr. Phillips' play is essentially a play of action, full of incident and color, and every effort and appliance that modern science can suggest will be used to produce the effects of the sea of flames and scenes of destruction and terror upon which Nero gazes.

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Nahan Franko is to conduct the great revival of "Don Clovanni," to be given on January 27, in honor of the 150th birthday of Mozart. There will be entirely ne wscenery, and the singers will be Mmes. Sembrich, Nordica and Jomelli, and MM. Caruso, Scotti, Journtt and Goritz. The role of Elvira, in which Mme. Jomelli is to appear, has been sung at recent performances of the opera by Nordica and Gadski.

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New York, Dec. 18.—In many ways Monday night at the Lyric Theatre, proved to be a notable event. The house was packed to the roof by a swagger audience that had gathered to welcome Sarah Bernhardt's return to New York. When the first curtain went up on "La Sorciere" there was not a vacant seat in the house and hundreds of fashionable people in the lobby were clamoring for the standing room that could not be obtained at any price. At her entrance the divine Sarah, looking just as attractive as she did a decade ago, was greeted with shouts that were continued for ten minutes and could be hear dout in the street. "La Sorciere" has been made familiar here by Mrs. Pat. Campbell, and needs no detailed description. It is a strong play and the leading role affords ample opportunities to the famous French actress, who was never in better form and many times aroused the audience to very great enthusiasm. Her repertory for the week includes "Camille," "Adrienne Lacouvreur," "Angelo," "Sappho," "Fedora," "Phedro," "Bohmeus," and "La Femme Du Clauce."

Tuesday night "Before and After," a comedy by Leo Ditrichstein, had its first performance in the Manhattan Theatre with Fritz Williams, Thomas Wise, Mr. Ditrichstein and Katherine Florence in the leading parts. As its title suggests, the play has to do with the taking of something or other. There are two physicians, a Dr. Page and a Dr. Latham. The former is a crank, while the latter is extremely amiable. Dr. Latham wants Dr. Page to lend the prestige of his name to a powder which is guaranteed to engender good nature and happiness. Dr. Page refuses the use of his name. Latham retaliates by pouring one of his powders into a glass of water on Page's desk. Page drinks the water ununknowingly and the fun begins. He is seized with fits of laughter, and acquiring the kissing habit, kisses a Colonel Larviette's wife in the presence of the servants. Then there is a row. The Colonel wants satisfaction, in fact he wants to kiss Mrs. Page, it being the only way to avert a duel. Mrs. Page knows nothing of this, and a chorus girl is pressed into service as a substitute. Here a perfect whirlwind of complications ensue, and from this on the fun is fast and furious, but in the end everything is explained satisfactorily. The comedy is not altogether original, but it is cleverly adapted to the English-speaking stage, and is filled with hilarious scenes and incidents. The roles of the two physicians are capitally acted by Mr. Williams and Mr. Wise, with the author and Miss Florence in the running. The performance was received with shouts of laughter and much applause.

From now on until Christmas day few new offerings will be made known at the theatres. Beginning with a matinee on that holiday, Ethel Barrymore starts an engagement at the Criterion in the latest of J. M. Barrie's plays "Alice-Sit-by-the-Fire," and at the Garden, W. A. Brady is to present "As You Sow." Henrietta Crosman is another attraction promised for Christmas day, coming to the Garrick in "Mary, Mary Quite Contrary," and during her stay expects to present one other play. Miss Crosman is a favorite here and her appearance is always of interest to theatre-goers.

J. I. C. Clarke's dramatization of Gen. Lew Wallace's novel, "The Prince of India," is in rehearsal at the New Amsterdam Theatre. It will be staged in five acts, a prologue, and fourteen scenes. Three hundred men are to be employed as soldiers in the battle scene and upwards of one hundred women in minor roles. There are thirty-four characters in the play, and these will be acted by well known professionals. In this production Klaw and Erlanger expect to outdo in magnificence their famous spectacle "Ben Hur." "The Prince" opens in Chicago, February 5th, and later comes to this city for an extended run.

The continued attractions that are doing well include: Maude Adams at the Empire Theatre; Virginia Harned at the Knickerbocker; Viola Allen at Daly's; Olga Nethersole at the Herald Square, "Willie" Collier at the Criterion, "The Lion and the Mouse" at the Lyceum; William Faversham at Wallack's; Grace George at the Garden, "Veronique" at the Broadway; Richard Carle at the New York; David Warfield at the Bijou; Blanche Bates at Belasco's; "Wonderland" at the Majestic; Henry E. Dixey at the Madison Square; Cyril Scott at Joe Weber's; "The Earl and the Girl" at the Casino, and Margaret Anglin at the Princess.

E. S. Willard on Monday began a three weeks' season at the New Amsterdam Theatre, during which he will be seen in a frequent change of bill.

Down at the little Savoy James K. Hackett and his wife, Mary Mannering, are continuing in Alfred Sutro's absurd drama, "The Walls of Jericho" to fair business only. The management is evidently forcing a run for road purposes.

Peter F. Dailey in "The Press Agent" seems to be doing well at Lew Fields' Theatre, and Robert Loraine in "Man and Superman" is just about holding his own at the Hudson. At most of the combination or popular-priced houses the early advent of the holiday season is beginning to be felt and not ocver large audiences is the rule at all of them.

Here is some gossip of theatre alley: The success of Wilton Lackaye in Channing Pollock's "The Pit," is so great that the production of his own play, "Les Miserables," has been postponed until the spring. Edward Harrigan, who has been in retirement for several months, appears at the Yorkville Theatre January 15th, in "Old Lavender," one of his best plays. Mrs. Annie Yeamans of the original cast, and Jennie Yeamans, her daughter, are expected to appear in this revival. Grayce Scott, Sidney Ayres, who has been starring in "Texas;" and Frances Shannon, a child actress, have been engaged for "The Clansman," which has a production at the Liberty Theatre, January 8th. 'The Mayor of Tokio," with Richard Carle in the title role, is a go at the New York Theatre. The house is filled to the doors every night by a crowd that hopes to find a laugh, and discovers at least half a hundred in the very first act. Carle has a funerial face, a light-hearted manner and a movement of his pedal extremities that threaten at times to throw him off his base. His comedy is dry and he understands that noise is not fun. The supporting cast includes a prima donna who evidently believes that she is the real thing in prima donnas, for she scowls and rants through her part until the audience is startled into believing that they have stumbled on a performance of Lady Macbeth. Her name is Hortense Maxurette, and she looks it. Hortense has a large voice and would attract attention around the storm centre of a full grown cyclone. Next to the star the best hit of the show has been made by Emma Janvier as the wardrobe woman of a stranded theatrical company who was once a ballet dancer. From her first appearance until the end of the performnace Miss Janvier is funny. Emma has certainly scored on Broadway.

Wagenhals and Kemper have signed a contract for Blanche Walsh's appearance in London next season. Miss Walsh, who is now duplicating her New York record business on the road in "The Woman in the Case," is to have another Clyde Fitch play, and it will be one of the first productions made by Wagenhals & Kemper at the new Astor Theatre, which is to be opened to the public in September next. Miss Walsh's London engagement is for three months, during which she is to appear in "The Woman in the Case," "The Kreutzer Sonata," and a new Fitch play.

Manager Sidey R. Ellis, who came to town last week, has aranged to present Al H. Wilson at the Fourteenth Street Theatre on January 8th, when this popular singing comedian will be seen for the first time here in a new comedy-drama entitled "The German Gypsy," of which Robert Sidney is the author. Wilson is a great favorite with local theatre-goers, and they will undoubtedly give him a warm reception.

Early in March Miss Florence Roberts, the California star, makes her debut in this city under the direction of John Cort, the Pacific Coast manager. She is to present at one of the Broadway theatres, probably the Hudson, a new play by a famous author, "Ann La Mont," in which she is now appearing in the West with success.

Last Sunday Thomas Jefferson passed through town en route to the New England circuit. He presented "Rip Van Winkle" in Philadelphia last week to splendid business. The receipts reached $9,500 for eight performances. So he said. Old Rip is not dead yet.

Ernest Lamson, the author-actor, will be seen at a Broadway theatre next fall in a new play of his own writing. Ernest always was a hustler.

"Lucky Miss Dean," a comedy which had poor business in London, is to be produced at the Madison Square Theatre January 8th by James B. Delcher. Evidently Manager Walter Lawrence is not posted.

NANCY SYKES.

"AUNT LOUISA" ELDREDGE

New York, December.—Rather an unusual person ended her earthly engagement when "Aunt Louise" Eldridge died. Herself an old-time actress, she devoted her late years to those of her difficult profession who needed help. And they are many. Although she had played "leads" in her day, she never had overmuch of this world's goods. But that never interfered with her being able to aid those that needed aid. Everyone in the profession knew her, and her word "went." She had one amiable weakness, one pardonable failing, and that in the conviction that every member of the profession, however obscure, was entitled to a decent burial. It was a fine conceit, and furnished a "mourner and an urn" where otherwise they would often been lacking. She was wont, when some poor waif of the "great white way" made his final exit to go among the others and drum up at least a firing squad to see him on his way. She used to say: "It is my duty and your duty to do this" and they did it.

To some of us this may mean little What ceremonies accompany the beginning of the chemical process that wipes out the visual asuect of what was once you or I may seem of small moment. Bu still there was a fine courtesy in this formal farewell to the departing guest. He was at least accompanied to the gate with state and ceremony.

Of course the cynical may fancy that this is the veriest act of supererogation, say that the average actor has many funerals, that his entire career has been a series of burials under that uncertain thing we call popular opinion. It is to the credit of the woman who has just gone to face the eternal mystery that she never considered these earthly verdicts. She felt apparently that even the poorest of those that thought it worth while to sacrifice a life to an art had in them something, however mistakenly delivered, that lifted them a trille out of the ordinary, classed them in a way with the limited elect that die for an ideal. In these things success or failure is a secondary consideration; it is the spirit that counts.

Cheerfulness is, of course, largely temperamental, but 'Aunt Louise" Eldridge elevated it to the dignity of philosophy. "I believe in being cheerful," she used to say. "For years I have visited the sick members of the Professional Women's League. They always wanted to see me, for they knew I would be cheerful anyway."

An admirable thing to be able to say. It enables one to understand that fine boast of hers when she gave her reasons for wanting to be buried from a church. It will have to be from a church," she said, "for there's going to be a crowd." And there was a crowd—an immense crowd.

ADA REHAN AS KATHERINE IN "TAMING OF THE SHREW."
PHOTO BY SARONY.

THE B. C. FRUIT EXHIBIT IN LONDON

Criticism of Province's Effort by Editor of Canadian Gazette.

The Canadian Gazette (London) in its issue of Dec. 7, has the following respecting the British Columbian fruit exhibit in London at the Royal Horticultural Society's show: "If there had been any doubt amongst Londoners as to the possibilities of Canada for fruit-growing, it must have been dispelled by the magnificent display of apples and pears from British Columbia at the Royal Horticultural Society's show of Colonial fruit at their new hall in Vincent Square, Westminster, on Tuesday and Wednesday. Novo Scotia also claimed attention by reason of the excellent apples it showed.

"The hall is a large one, having an area of some 13,000 square feet, and the space allotted to British Columbia occupied the full length of one side, 75 feet in all, with a depth of six feet. Here were long rows of boxes, trays, and plates filled with a profusion of fruit (apples, of course, predominating, as only a few varieties of pears keep till this season), which made a beautiful spectacle, owing to the brilliant coloring. Every specimen, indeed, was a picture, and the specimens were one and all splendid apples. A special point was made of setting out the fruit, both in market packages for the commercial community to see the care with which the provincial government supervises this all-important question, and on dishes and plates, as is generally the case at exhibitions in this country. Some 50 varieties in all were included, the better known being Newtown Pippin, Northern Spy, Spitzenberg, Grune's Golden Pippin, Jonathan, Baldwin, and King of Tompkins. As already stated, the apples have more color than one is accustomed to see here, but, on the other hand, the old Golden Russet comes out quite pale. The few pears shown also looked admirable.

"The exhibitors from British Columbit numbered about 20, and included the Earl of Aberdeen (Coldstream Ranch), Messrs. Stirling and Pincairn (Kelowna) Mr. Thomas G. Earl (Lytton), Mrs. J. Smith (Spences Bridge), the Summerland Fruit Company (Summerland), the Canyon Ranch (Summerland), and Mr. J. C. Garthrell (Trout Creek.)

"The British Columbia government and their agent-general, the Hon. J. H. Turner, are most heartily to be congratulated on the success attending their efforts in bringing this important feature of the province's resources before the British public, as also is Mr. R. M. Palmer, secretary of the Bureau of Information and Immigration, Victoria, who is superintending the exhibit.

"Some time ago the Hon. J. H. Turner described in our columns the development of the fruit industry in the Pacific province, and pointed out that no attempt was made to grow on any considerable scale for the market until about 10 years ago, when large orchards were planted in the Okanagan and some other sections. What the industry has now become may be seen from a statement made recently before the Canadian Tariff commission when it sat at Nelson, British Columbia: "In regard to the value of this industry in British Columbia and its rate of development, we may say that at the end of 1904 there were some 300,000 fruit-bearing trees in existence. Districts whose sole industry was mining a short time since have proved to be admirably adapted to fruit culture. The Nelson district may be cited as an example. In one class of fruit alone, that of strawberries, in 1903 there were produced 2,000 crates. In 1904 this amount was doubled, and this year over 12,000 crates of this fruit were marketed. A corresponding increase of other fruits has obtained, to such an extent that, while in 1904 the district's fruit produce realised the sum of $8,000, it has in the past season risen to $25,000. At the present time the Kootenay Lake district is exporting considerable quantities of fruit; large numbers of settlers are embarking in the business, and the industry will add materially to the prosperity of the city and the surrounding country."

"Then, before be left for England, Mr. Palmer stated at Montreal that there were now in British Columbia 13,000 acres devoted in fruit culture, and in the coming season this would be increased to 20,000 acres. "The area fit for the cultivation of fruit in our province is relatively small—that is, in comparison with the vast acreage of the entire province," added Mr. Palmer; "so our people are making the best possible use of their acres, striving not so much for quantity as for quality.

"For farmers with a little capital—men of industry—there is no more attractive business than that of fruit growing and dairying in so beautiful and healthy a country as British Columbia. They have no necessity to experiment there, for it is already demonstrated that the crop is certain and the quality of the finest. The government of the province has passed many acts for the encouragement of the fruit grower and the agriculturist, and very strict regulations have been enforced to eradicate noxious insect pests from the orchards and to prevent their introduction from other countries; and so successful have they proved, that British Columbia's orchards are almost free from these drawbacks, that have proved so detrimental in Oregon and California."

C. Sanders, chief ranger of the Ancient Order of Foresters, gives notice that officers and members of Court Northern Light are requested to meet at K. of P. hall at 2 p. m. Tuesday, 26th inst., for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late C. Berryman. Members of other courts are cordially invited to attend.

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The angel voices rang;
The shepherds heard the news so dear,
As thus the angels sang:
"All glory be to God on high,
And on the earth be peace;
Goodwill henceforth from Heaven to man
Begin and never cease."

The shepherds then, their lone way made,
To David's city came;
They found the Babe in manger laid
And called upon His name:
"Oh, lowly Babe, thou Son of God,
Thou bringest peace on earth;
All glory to the Baby King
Who came in lowly birth."

The wise men from the East afar
Their costly gifts did bring,
Guided by the heavenly star,
And thus they worshipped Him:
"Gold we present to Thee, thou King,
And frankincense, thou Priest,
With myrrh, sweet incense, Son of God,
Bring peace that will not cease."

The Baby grew into the Man,
The Man of Sorrows, He;
He bore our sins—to wash our souls
His life-blood was set free.
So now His birthday we do keep,
For on this day is peace,
Goodwill is shown from man to man;
Oh, may it never cease!

*O HAPPY CHRISTMAS DAYS OF OLD.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When chimes rang out across the snow,
That lay its crust on wood and wold,
On hills above, on fields below.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When carols clear by children sung
Awoke the starlit evening cold,
And through the silent hamlet rung.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When holly from the rafters fell,
And bells in moss-grown towers tolled
The midnight hymn men loved so well.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When every castle far and near
Its stern portcullis upward rolled,
And welcomed all who came with cheer.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When poorest beggars ate their fill,
When for the time the meek grew bold,
And everywhere was right good will.

O happy Christmas days of old,
When yule logs burned and flames leaped high
And round the hearth good people told
Tales of the Christ's nativity.

O happy Christmas night of old,
When, ere the world's first Christmas morn,
Kings of the East brought gifts of gold
To lay before the newly-born.

O happy Christmas days of old,
O night that gladdened all below,
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Miowera From Southern Seas

New Turbiner Maheno Will Arrive Here in May—Miowera Had Full Cargo.

Fishermen Show Heroism at a Fatal Wreck—More Treasure Hunting Cruises.

R. M. S. Miowera, Capt. Hemming, reached port yesterday morning from Australia, via Honolulu, Suva and Fanning Island, after a stormy voyage, bringing a fair complement of passengers, including J. Henniker-Heaton, the renowned advocate of universal penny postage, who is on the way to England from a visit to Australia and Fiji, where his son is employed in the civil service. The passenger list was larger than usual at this time of the year, and the steamer carried a large freight. The route is now becoming so popular that the Union Steamship Company has decided to place the new turbine steamer Maheno on the route in the busy season of travel in the spring, leaving Australia in April on her first trip and arriving here in May. The Miowera had all her cargo space taken up with frozen and canned mutton, flax, hemp, timber, salt, wool, marsupial skins, etc., and sugar from Fiji. There was a large shipment of sugar, about 1,100 tons. The Fiji sugar crop is far less this season than was anticipated, the drought in the islands having affected the crop. The output for the year will be about 7,000 tons below estimates. The Vancouver-Fiji Sugar Company has exceeded expectations at Navua, the weekly output being about 340 tons, in place of 250 as hitherto. Shipments are made by each Canadian-Australian mail steamer, and the work thus far has proceeded smoothly.

The Miowera was late in arriving at Fanning Island, having been delayed by the trade winds in the tropics, and the cable station was suffering from a food shortage when the ship arrived. There was a heavy surf running at the station, and it was some hours before the supplies were put ashore. The telegraphers were down to cocoanuts when the supplies came.

The purser's report of the voyage follows:

The Miowera left Sydney November 27 and Brisbane November 29, and experienced fresh wind, veering from E. to E. with rough sea and clear weather throughout, passing Walpole islands December 2, and arriving at Suva December 4; left Suva December 5, and experienced fresh, squally S.E. trades and rough sea to 10 deg. S. lat.; thence light winds and fine weather; passing Duke of Clarence island at noon, December 7, and crossing the equator December 9 in long. 163 deg. W.; thence light N. E. winds and showery weather, arriving at Fanning Island December 10; left Fanning Island December 11, and experienced very strong N. E. trades, with squally weather and heavy head sea to arrival at Honolulu, December 14; left Honolulu December 15, and experienced moderate variable wind and head sea with cloudy weather to lat. 30 deg. N.; thence moderate westerly wind and cloudy weather with heavy N. W. swell to lat. 42 deg. N.; thence fresh southerly wind and fair weather, with confused sea, to Cape Flattery.

Among the passengers from Honolulu was Michael Smith of Seattle, who is returning home. He brought with him 150 pounds of tobacco grown in Hawaii, with which to make some cigars as an experiment. The tobacco was grown on the islands experimentally, and Smith made some cigars while at Honolulu, which he pronounces of a superior quality. He thinks there is a great opportunity for Hawaiian tobacco.

Owing to health conditions at Honolulu and reports of bubonic plague existing, Dr. Cofer, federal quarantine officer, has announced a new regulation, under which all packages of freight or express leaving for the coast have to be fumigated. This order is to satisfy the San Francisco health authorities. There has been no plague case at Honolulu now for about five weeks, and it is announced that all quarantine restrictions may be removed at the end of this month.

A WRECK AND A HERO.

A Tale of Heroism Brought by the Steamer Miowera.

News was brought by the steamer Miowera yesterday from the Australian coast of the wreck of the barkentine La Bella, involving the loss of seven lives and the display of great heroism by a fisherman named William Ferrier. Even the sense of horror evoked by the loss of seven lives at the scene of the wreck gave way momentarily at the spectacle of Ferrier's self-sacrificing devotion, and was lost in cheers from the bystanders at his pluck. It is a tragical little story. The schooner La Bella struck a reef about half a mile from shore at Warrnambool—a dangerous spot, where heavy breakers are continually dashing against the obstruction. The distressed condition of the vessel was visible all night through glasses from the shore, and it was clear that she was in a dangerous condition. The local lifeboat was manned, but it was found that the best of the regular men were away on the Flinders, while two were ill in hospital. In their absence the place of these experienced hands was taken by well-meaning volunteers. But events soon showed that the occasion called for the services of the hardiest of trained lifeboatmen. Of the willing substitutes some were seasick and some were unable to row. In the responsibility thus thrown on the pilot, he seems to have done the best he could. The captain of the schooner thinks he might have done more, but submits that the case is one for enquiry. The lifeboat repeatedly failed to get near the wreck, and that attempts from the shore to throw a line by means of the rocket apparatus failed by about a hundred yards or more to reach the distressed vessel.

In these circumstances Ferrier took a hand in the rescue of the crew of La Bella, who could be discerned all this time signaling distractedly for assistance. These men had been on the wreck all night, suffering grievously from exposure. They were well within a vigorous swimmer's distance of land, and those on shore could plainly witness their plight. They saw the wreck breaking to pieces and the victims falling away one by one. When the lifeboat failed Ferrier put out in a dingy, sculling with a single oar. The end was impending, and in the raw light of early dawn the watchers plainly saw that the survivors' case was desperate. The remaining mast fell with a crash, and the men on board beckoned despairingly to the lifeboat, which could approach no nearer than a distance of about 200 and later 100 yards from the wreck. Ferrier in his dingy kept abreast of the lifeboat for a time, and when two of the men on the wreck jumped for their lives he went forward to meet them. He was nearly swamped, but he managed his little craft skilfully, and presently rescued one of those who had jumped from the wreck and who proved to be the captain. He was landed and Ferrier turned to the perilous task again, rescuing another man, who was so stupefied by exposure as to be incapable of helping himself. In the meantime the lifeboat had done good work rescuing those who remained with the wreck.

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A HONOLULU CALL.

Dakota and Minnesota to Call at Hawaiian Islands en Route.

Vice President James of the Great Northern Steamship Company made the announcement at St. Paul yesterday that he is considering a schedule for the coming year whereby the Great Northern steamships Minnesota and Dakota will touch at Honolulu on their return trip from Japanese and Chinese ports to Seattle.

Mr. James stated that as a result of the settlement of the Russo-Japanese war the trade conditions in the Orient show great improvement, and the outlook for a great increase in the business between this country and Japan and China is very bright.

The Hawaiian sugar plantations are producing more than ever before, and at times the San Francisco boats have difficulty in handling the output. At present the Pacific Mail, Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company and the Oceanic Steamship Company practically control the business. By stopping at Honolulu the Hill liners would bring a large proportion of the Hawaiian trade to Seattle.

AGREEMENT NEEDED.

Steamship Companies in Oriental Trade Invade Other Territory.

An agreement dividing territorially the Oriental trade between the large trans-Pacific steamship companies came to an end on Thursday as a result of a meeting of the representatives of the different companies held at Portland for the purpose of inducing the Great Northern Steamship Company to confine itself to Oregon and Washington and not to invade California. The conference failed to induce the Great Northern to reconsider its determination.

The Portland Oregonian states that there is no doubt that the Harriman lines will establish agencies in Portland, Seattle and Tacoma, and that the Boston Steamship Company, operating the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, and the Canadian Pacific will enter the California field.

A. G. D. Kerrell, general passenger agent at Portland for the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and the Oriental & Occidental Steamship Company, said that his lines would no longer hesitate to go after traffic in Oregon and Washington. "The Great Northern refuses to observe the old understanding," he said, "and with them coming into competition with us in California we cannot do otherwise than enter the field which has heretofore belonged exclusively to the Northern lines."

FREIGHTERS DUE.

Three More of the Watts-Watts Steamers on the Way Here.

Steamer Croydon, another of the Watts steamers, arrived from Astoria yesterday on her way to Comox to load bunker coal for her voyage to Japan with general cargo. The steamer Wyneric of Andrew Weir and Co., which loaded bunker coal at Comox arrived down last night to load cargo on Puget Sound. There are three large steamers of the Watts Watts Co. now on the way to Royal Roads, for orders and some of them will probably enter the dry dock at Esquimalt to be cleaned and painted. The Tottenham and Isleworth and Kelvinbank are all on the way from the Orient.

AFTER THE TREASURE.

Captain Hackett to Bring His New Schooner Here.

Capt. Fred Hackett, who is one of the prime movers in the recently organized treasure hunting corporation formed in Washington and incorporated at Olympia recently is expected to arrive here shortly with a schooner secured for the trip. The vessel is to be placed under the Canadian flag at this port, it is said. Capt. Hackett will not be alone in his search for the millions alleged to be buried on Cocos island, for the bark Canna of 425 tons, Capt. Date, is now en route from Falmouth with a party of treasure-hunters. The Canna left Falmouth for the island where the pirates' hoard are said to lie on November 20th.

QUADRA RETURNS

After a Vain Search for the Lost Whistling Buoy.

The D. G. S. Quadra, which started on Thursday on her first voyage since she was again placed in service, to search for the missing whistling buoy, which Capt. Townsend of the Queen City reported to be out of place. The Quadra went to Barkley Sound, but failed to find a trace of the whistling buoy and she returned to Victoria so that her ship's company may spend their Christmas at home. She will then return to the west coast to make another search.

FEVER STRICKEN.

Schooner Kineo Reaches Brisbane With All Her Crew Sick.

Steamer Miowera yesterday brought news of the arrival at Brisbane of the overdue American five masted schooner Kineo with Captain Patten, his wife, and the whole of the crew suffering from beri beri. The captain's little daughter, eight years of age, alone escaped being attacked by the disease. One of the crew died while the vessel was being towed.

The mate of the Kineo said the vessel left Manila on August 9. The voyage was uneventful until, after the schooner had been at sea for 11 days, a typhoon struck the vessel and lasted four days. The wind blew with terrific force, being accompanied with a high and confused sea. Everything aloft was lost, the topsails, stay-sails, foresails, and flying jib being blown away. All movable gear on the deck was washed overboard. As sea after sea flooded the vessel they tried to heave the vessel to but were not successful, as the jigger sail blew away. One huge sea stove in the gasoline launch. On the fifth day the typhoon moderated slightly, but it was not until the eighth day that normal conditions prevailed. Afterwards calms, followed by light winds, were experienced, and after being 45 days out the Kineo arrived at Guam. Here the ship's company tried to purchase potatoes, as the supply on board had become rotten. None were obtained on the islands, and the vessel again got under sail. Light winds and calms prevailed alternately, and on October 23 a seaman named Pat Welsh became ill. Three days later Ben Emanulson was laid up. After that every person on board, with the exception of the captain's little girl, fell a victim to the disease, which the doctor informed them was beri beri.

About three weeks ago the Kineo arrived in one of the northern islands of the Solomon group. Here the ship's company met a trader named Sim, and asked for fruit or vegetables, but Sim, informed them there were not any in the place. Sail was again set on board the Kineo, and the vessel fell in with a southeast wind, which lasted for three days. The wind then died away and for a week the schooner was becalmed. The wind then freshened, and held out long enough to bring the Kineo off Cape Moreton.

MARINE NOTES.

A marine exchange, copied after that of San Francisco, will be opened at Seattle on January 10.

Advices from Auckland, N. Z., say the British bark Thistle, from Portland, Or., for Port Pirie, South Australia, was wrecked November 8 on Palmerton Island, Polynesia. All on board were saved.

Steamer City of Puebla arrived last night after a fast trip from San Francisco.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

The King Edward

F. F. Adkins, Seattle, Wash.; R. L. Cliff, New Westminster; A. E. Buch, Sidney; Charles S. Buch, North Saanich; M. Scharschmidt, Saanich; James Campbell and wife, Mount Sicker; J. C. Carruthers, Nelson; Miss T. Reayes, Vancouver, B. C.; Miss S. E. Dellintayer, Cleveland, Ohio; E. Browne Cave and wife and son, Vancouver, B. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Archibald, Halifax; P. A. Jenns, Vancouver; J. N. Paton, Greenwood; G. C. Paton, Armstrong; P. T. Martin, Vancouver; Capt. L. U. Walker, Vancouver; E. O. Phiscaton, Seattle; G. Howard, Vancouver; W. B. Van Guieden, Crofton; E. J. Moses, Chicago; A. B. Moses, Seattle.

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VICTORIA TIDE TABLE

December.

(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date	Time h. m.	Ht. ft.	Time h. m.	Ht ft.	Time h. m.	Ht ft.	Time h. m.	Ht ft.
1	0:07	1.1	9:02	8.4	13:30	7.5	15:27	7.7
2	0:53	1.8	9:38	8.4	....	..	....	..
3	1:39	2.6	9:58	8.4	....	..	....	..
4	2:25	3.5	10:09	8.3	19:05	5.3	21:18	5.4
5	3:12	4.2	10:26	8.3	19:00	4.6	....	..
6	0:08	5.5	3:59	5.0	10:48	8.3	19:08	4.0
7	2:25	5.9	4:47	5.7	11:13	8.4	19:25	3.4
8	3:38	6.4	5:37	6.3	11:40	8.5	19:48	2.8
9	4:33	6.8	6:20	6.7	12:08	8.7	20:16	2.3
10	5:19	7.2	7:12	7.0	12:35	8.8	20:47	1.8
11	5:57	7.5	7:56	7.3	12:58	8.8	21:20	1.4
12	6:34	7.7	8:39	7.6	13:17	8.9	21:55	1.2
13	7:14	7.9	9:24	7.8	13:35	8.8	22:32	1.2
14	7:54	8.0	10:12	7.9	13:59	8.7	23:12	1.3
15	8:26	8.1	11:18	7.9	14:29	8.4	23:55	1.6
16	8:41	8.2	12:39	7.8	15:09	8.0	....	..
17	0:40	2.0	8:49	8.2	14:02	7.3	16:04	7.4
18	1:24	2.6	9:06	8.3	15:30	6.6	17:18	6.7
19	2:07	3.4	9:27	8.4	16:27	5.6	20:17	6.1
20	2:52	4.2	9:51	8.6	17:20	4.7	22:55	5.9
21	3:40	5.0	10:17	8.9	18:07	3.6	....	..
22	1:20	6.2	4:31	5.9	10:46	9.1	18:50	2.6
23	3:05	6.8	5:25	6.6	11:18	9.4	19:31	1.6
24	4:07	7.4	6:23	7.1	11:53	9.6	20:10	0.9
25	5:00	7.8	7:22	7.5	12:31	9.7	20:49	0.5
26	5:45	8.1	8:19	7.8	13:11	9.7	21:29	0.4
27	6:25	8.3	9:15	7.9	13:48	9.4	22:10	0.6
28	7:02	8.4	10:14	7.9	14:21	8.9	22:52	1.1
29	7:30	8.4	11:24	7.7	14:51	8.2	23:33	1.7
30	7:49	8.4	12:52	7.3	15:16	7.5	....	..
31	0:15	2.5	8:06	8.5	....	..	....	..

The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th medidian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

The height is measured from the level of the lower low water at spring tides. This level corresponds with the Datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are referred, as closely as can now be ascertained.

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Notice is hereby given that sixty (60) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land known as Lot Two Hundred and Ninety-one (291), Range Five (5), Coast District, British Columbia, viz: Starting from a post marked "D. W. K. S. W.," placed at the southwest corner of said lot, and thence astronomically north forty (40) chains, thence astronomically east forty (40) chains, thence astronomically south forty (40) chains, and thence astronomically west to point of commencement.

D. W. KELLS,
By His Agent, J. H. Gray.
Dated October 14, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that sixty (60) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situated at the north end of Pleasant Valley on the right bank of the Bulkley River in Range Five (V.), Coast District, British Columbia, viz: Starting from a post placed at the southeast corner of Lot Three Hundred and Forty-five (345), Range Five (V.), Coast District, marked "M. R. S. W.," and thence astronomically north eighty (80) chains, and thence astronomically east forty (40) chains, thence astronomically south eighty (80) chains, and thence astronomically west to point of commencement.

MORTON RAMSDELL.
Dated October 14, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that thirty (30) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease for grazing purposes, the following described lands situated in Pleasant Valley, Bulkley River, in Range Five (V.), Coast District, British Columbia, viz: Starting from a post marked "L. V. C. N. W.", and thence astronomically south sixty (60) chains, thence astronomically east one hundred and twenty (120) chains, thence astronomically north forty (40) chains, thence astronomically west one hundred chains (100), thence astronomically north twenty (20) chains, and thence astronomically west to point of commencement.

L. V. CUPPAGE.
October 7th, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at a post planted (and marked A. E. P., N. E. C. P.) at the Northwest corner of Kitwangar Reserve (Indian), on the left bank of the Skeena River, adjoining post marked J. R. Line, thence West 80 chains, thence South 40 chains, thence East 80 chains, thence North 40 chains, to point of commencement.

(Signed) ALFRED E. PRICE.
Dated 8th December, 1905. d9

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Comissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following land, situate near Lion Point, Portland Canal: Commencing at a post at G. Chambers' Northeast corner, and marked "W P., F.'s S. W. corner"; thence East 20 chains, thence North 20 chains, thence West to shore line of Lion Bay, thence following the shore line Southerly to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

n2 W. P. FLEWIN.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate at Maple Bay, Portland Canal: Commencing at a post planted alongside W. Noble's S. W. corner, marked "J. L. P.'s N. W. cor."; thence East 20 chains; thence South 20 chains to J. M. Collison's North boundary line; thence West 20 chains along said boundary to shore line; thence Northerly along shore line to point of commencement, containing 40 acres more or less.

J. L. PARKER.
A. A. Wakefield, Agent.
Portland Canal, B. C., November 4, 1905.
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NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate at the mouth of Helen Creek, Portland Canal: Commencing at a post marked "A. A. W.'s N. W. cor."; thence East 20 chains; thence South 20 chains; thence West 20 chains to shore line; thence Northerly along shore line to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

A. A. WAKEFIELD.
Portland Canal, B. C., November 4, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate on Helen Creek, Portland Canal: Commencing at a post planted on said creek about three-quarters of a mile from its mouth, and marked "B. D. B.'s S.E. Corner"; thence North 20 chains, thence West 20 chains, thence South 20 chains, thence East 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

n2 B. D. BROWN.

NOTICE is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease 40 acres of meadow land described as follows: About 4 miles southwest of Cariboo Ranch, Cariboo District, commencing at a post marked "A. P. M., N. E. C.," thence south 40 chains, thence west 10 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east 10 chains, to point of commencement.

November 15, 1905.
n24 A. P. McINNES.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 443, Bear River, Portland Canal, thence West 40 chains, thence North 20 chains, thence East 40 chains, thence South 20 chains to the point of commencement, being in all 80 acres, more or less.

ROBERT M. STEWART.
P. O., Stewart, B. C. October 12, 1905.
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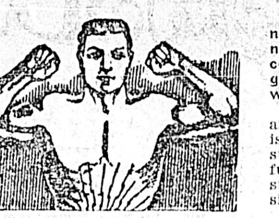

Why do you go on from day to day when you know you are losing your nerve force—your manhood—when you see a cure within your grasp? Do not delay a matter which is the key to your future happiness. Whatever your condition today, you will not improve as you grow older. Age calls for greater vital force, and the older you get the more pronounced will be your weakness.

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Oh, if Canadian girls who work would only realize that they have but one life to live, and make the most of their precious health and strength!

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Notice is hereby given that sixty (60) days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situated near Kitseguedla Pass on the left bank of the Bulkley River in Range Five (V.), Coast District, British oClumbia, viz: Starting from a post marked "J. B. G. S. E.," and thence astronomically north forty (40) chains, thence astronomically west twenty (20) chains to the northeast corner of Lot Three Hundred and Fifty-five (355), Range Five (V.), Coast District, thence astronomically south forty (40) chains, and thence astronomically east to point of commencement.

J. B. GREEN.
Dated, October 30, 1905.

B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS.
141 Yates Street, Victoria.
Ladies' and Gents' garments and household furnishings cleaned, dyed or pressed equal to new.

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V. BANISTER.
Dated October 30, 1905.

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery. 89

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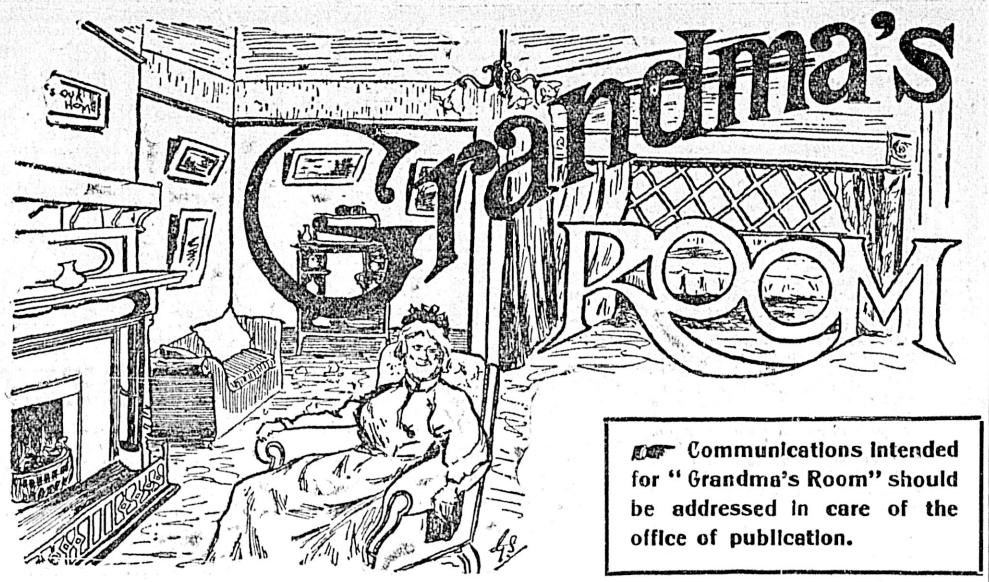
A. HARVEY.
Dated October 30, 1905.



☞ Communications intended for "Grandma's Room" should be addressed in care of the office of publication.

New Year's Resolutions.

Dear Grandma: A long time ago you told us boys how inseks brethe, and we didn't go much on what you knew about them kind of animals. We examined about 20 kinds of bugs, and we couldn't see no holes in their sides. Then Jimmie Snyder, he stuck a straw into a big horse-fly and blew ez hard ez he could an' I held a fluffffy feather clost up to his side. (I mean the horse-fly's side, not Jimmie's.) But the feather never wavered a wave, so we sed they wasn't no holes in a insek's sides, else some of the wind that Jimmie forced into that fly would'a come out and made a sign on that feather. So we didn't ask you eny more questions, coz you might be O. K. on how to knit mittens and dye hair, en scrape off freckles, but inseks was a dark mistery to you. Then my unkle Frank cum home from bein' down in Africa, so he knows most everything. En we showed him your letter to us, in the Colonist, an' ast him didn't he think a woman ez old ez that one in that chair at the top of the page hadn't ought to know better! En if Unkle Frank didn't up an' say you was right an' go an' get books tn prove it!

Wlel, you could a knocked me down with that feather I held to the horse's-fly's side!

So I owe you an apology, an' a debt of gratitude, and I think may be you do know about inseks, so I want you to tell me what you think of these resolutions, en which ones I'de better keep. I made 'em last week, so's to have a cool mind, coz I know just how 'twill be New Year's Day. I'll be feeling mighty generous, and like it would be just heavenly to be good for one whole year. I always do feel that way when they's roast turkey ahead, en I lose my grip en resolve all sorts of things that they ain't a boy livin' could keep up to.

Then coz it's a new year you feel just like you do when school opens, en you've got a bran' new slate en a clean scribbler en new books. You're sure you're goin' to keep 'em clean, en neat, en you take a pride in writin' 'em full of every thing you can think of, and drawing the very finest pictures ever was, till first thing you know your books is all scribbled up bad as ever. So I made these New Year's resolutions ahead, and I want you to help me pick out the best ones, en the easiest to keep.

First: Resolved, That I ain't goin' to forgit that though this is a New Year, I'me the same old boy.

Second, That I'me going to Sunday school regular, unless my big sister get's sick. (Noter Beaner, to Grandma. You see I might as well resolve that, coz Ma sends sis. along with me every Sunday, and she'd tattle if I played hookey.)

Third, That I'll forgive all my enemies ez they forgive me.

P. S. I ain't going to live up to that real square, till I get even on Jimmie Snyder. But if I can, I'll lick him till he sees wheels before the 31st, so's to begin the year square.)

Fourth. I will not be glutenous and eat to much, an' I'll go to bed early every night.

(P. P. S. This will be dead easy to keep, coz Ma says I've got to board at the school this summer, so's to be well looked after while she's down to California.)

Fifth. I will be kind to animals, and to birds, and will not kill or injure the nestlings.

I alwas resolve this every year, coz I'd keep it whether I resolved it or not. Pa and Ma taught me that in early days.

Sixth. I will use no bad language, nor touch beer nor tobacco.

It wouldn't be healthy for me if Pa found it out, besides I ain't that kind, and don't want to be.

Seventh. I resolve to thrash that Jimmie Snyder into decent shape. He's too biggoty because he plays baseball bettern I can, and is too bossy all round.

Eighth. I resolve to be captain of the team this year.

Ninth. Also, to live at peace with all my companions.

Except Jimmie. I've got to get him where he belongs and keep him there, but if I can I'll get it off my hands by the 31st.

Tenth. Resolved, that I'll be at school on time, love my teacher, and study my lessons well, then if I don't learn any thing it will be the teacher's fault.

Eleventh. That I'll do unto others as they do unto me, unless they do something bad, then I'll take off my coat and give them—that also. And "that also" will be a jio jitsy trick worth knowing.

Twelfth. That I will not covet my neighbor's wife, nor his ass, nor any thing worth while that is my neighbor's. But if his fruit tree branches hang over the fence, the fruit's yourn; everybody knows that, en if his hens lay in your shed the eggs is yourn too, coz the hen eats round your door an' she's only paying her board.

Later. I've concluded to take Jimmie into the ninth resolution. It isn't manly or Christian-like to leave one companion out. I've just come in from a interview with Jimmie. He is a good boy. He is a better boy'n I be; a much better boy. I shall live at peace with him for this New Year, clear to the end. I'll be stronger by that time. Also, I mark out the eighth resolution. Jimmie wants to be captain, so I'll let him. And in place of the eighth, as it was, I'll resolve, that I'll forgive Jimmie as he forgives me, and let him off from the lickings.

Resolved, That I will pay strict attention to my jio jitsy lessons. (I'll get Pa to let me take 'em) and not miss one.

HUGHIE.

Grandma's Callers.

"A. E. C."—Your letter is so long and so full of possibilities that I am holding it till this preparation for Xmas is well over. Meantime, I am writing to you privately, so you may look for a letter at the General P. O.

"A Cook at Sea"—Will you give recipes for dressings for duck, goose, turkey and chickens?

Answer.—The majority of people like a plain dressing. To each pint of cracker crumbs or bread crumbs, add 2 ounces of butter, 1 egg, 1-2 teaspoonful each of pepper, sage and salt, and if more moisture is needed add by spoonsful boiling water, keeping the dressing as dry as may be readily handled. For goose or duck, add one small minced onion to the above amount or what would make one heaping teaspoonful when chopped very fine. Either of these dressings are used for any fowl or bird. But some prefer for turkey or even for capon or chicken, the following dressings:

Chestnut Dressing.—Two teacups of finely rolled cracker crumbs, 1-2 cup of melted butter, 1 teaspoonful each of salt and pepper. Finely chopped parsley to taste, and 2 cups of chopped chestnuts (boiled and shelled.) Double this amount for a large turkey.

Oyster Dressing.—Like plain dressing, adding a cup of oysters to each cup of crumbs, moistening the crumbs with the oyster liquor. If fresh oysters are used, stew them in their own liquor, then chop them fine. If needed, add more crumbs and seasoning. If more moisture is required use egg and melted butter.

"Mrs. Jack."—Do hurry Grandma' and give me a recipe for a good sauce for plum pudding, no brandy.

Answer.—Take just half a pound of butter and cream it with one pound of sugar and the yolks of 2 eggs. Heat in double boiler till almost boiling. Whip the whites of the eggs stiff and grate over them the outer rind of one lemon and add the juice of two lemons. Let these go first into the sauce bowl then pour over them the hot butter and sugar.

"Laura B.."—Is there any help for my ugly eyebrows? They are thin and pale and almost invisible. Also tell me how to clean my discolored teeth and how to keep them white and clean. I use brush and water daily but my teeth grow black.

Answer.—For the eyebrows take equal parts of red vaseline and olive oil. Melt with gentle heat and mix Apply to the eyebrows with a camel's hair brush every night. This will thicken and darken them.

To remove stain from the teeth use pure medicated peroxide of hydrogen. Wrap a piece of linen around a slender stick or sliver of wood. Dip into the peroxide and clean the teeth thoroughly by rubbing the stain off them, one at a time. Keep white and pearly and sweet with this preparation used daily.

Tooth Wash. — One-half drachm white castile soap dissolved in 1 ounce alcohol, 3-4 ounce of water and 1-4 ounce of glycerine. Flavor with the oils of pepper mint, cloves and wintergreen, a few drops each. Once a week use this powder: Precipitated chalk and carbonate of magnesia, equal parts, flavored with powdered orris root.

"Marie"—Please give formula for good skin food; face is rough and skin dark.

Answer.—White soap, 1 ounce; spermaceti, 1 oz; lanolin, 2 oz.; cocoanut oil, 2 oz.; orange flower water, 2 oz.; oil of sweet almonds, 4 oz.; tincture of benzoin, 30 drops. Melt the first five ingredients together, take off the fire and beat till cold, adding little by little the benzoin and lastly the orange flower water. Apply daily with massage.

Mental Exercise.

For some time Grandma's callers have crowded out the young folks' mental exercises. But today I will give replies to the questions of three weeks ago:

What is that word of five letters which when you take away two, only one remains? Stone.

What word may be pronounced quicker by adding a syllable to it? Quicker.

Why are there no eggs in St. Domingo? Because they banished the whites and cast off the yoke (yolk.)

Why was Eve made? For Adam's Express Company.

Now, as soon as you can, for the excitement of the holiday season, try these exercises:

If Dick's father is Tom's son, what relation is Dick to Tom?

Three men on the bank of a river argue as to which first knew of the discharge of a gun on the opposite bank. A. heard the report, B. saw the smoke, and C. saw the bullet strike the water at his feet. Which knew it first?

A woman walking to town with a basket of eggs, was run into by a gentleman on a bicycle. She fell, and broke the eggs. The gentleman apologized and offered to pay for the eggs, asking how many she had. She repiled, "When counted 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 at a time, always one remained, but counted 7 at a time they came out even." How many had she?

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VICTORIA DAY SCHOOL CLOSING

Distribution of Prizes and Christmas Entertainment on Friday Last.

The distribution of prizes and Christmas entertainment at the above school on Thursday evening last proved a great success. The Lord Bishop of Columbia, chairman, opened the proceedings with a few remarks and words of congratulation to Mrs. Blaitlock on the size and success of her school, and then called upon Canon Beanlands to read the following report:

To the Lord Bishop of Columbia, congratulation to Mrs. Blaiklock on the school:

My Lord, Ladies and Gentlemen, —It gives me much pleasure to be able to present to you tonight a most favorable report of the last years' work. "Steady, careful work, and a marked all round improvement" in every form is what we can honestly say at the close of this year. Since last term there have been a few inevitable changes in the senior form. One girl has finished and left school, another has been absent through sickness, and a third is doing well at college, so last year's juniors have now grown into our senior girls and have won their laurels by honest hard work and commendable perseverance.

The results of the examination in the senior form, have in many cases been so close that it has taken hours going over and over their papers to be quite sure who has won the prize, and although this is tedious from an examiner's point of view, it is nevertheless most satisfactory for the teacher. In French, this has been so much the case, that I have been obliged to give three prizes, one each to Kathleen Taylor and Majorie Rome, who came out tied in the examination, and one to Gladys Pitts, who was only one mark under and who was first in this subject during the term.

The English Prize, which is awarded for the highest marks during the term and in the examination, for geography, English and Canadian history, English literature, spelling and composition, grammar, reading and map drawing has been won by Gladys Pitts who scored 1,047 in the examination out of a maximum of 1,200, and in the term 3,193 out of a possible 5,100. Gladys has not missed one day during the term and besides having plenty of brains and using them, she has at all times put school first and pleasure second, and has fairly won the prize and distinction of being first in the school.

In regard to the work done during the term several girls were heavily handicapped, Kathleen Taylor was away from home for the first fortnight; Nora Combs Marguerite Langley and Sylvia Jenns were away for an entire month and all the rest were absent for at least one or two days, either from sickness or some other cause. In their examination, however, they have all come out well. Marguerite Langley coming second in the examination in English subjects, and Kathleen Taylor just three below her. In mathematics, Gladys Pitts scored 269 out of a maximum of 250. Kathleen Taylor was second with 189, Marjorie Rome third, with 185.

In marks for the term, Lillian Elford was second, with 4,049, and Marjorie Rome third, with 3,985.

The special prize for elocution was won by Nora Combe.

In the lower fourth, Mildren Campbell is top in English, with 4,571, scored during the term, and in the examination, out of a possible 5,800. Anna Taylor is second with 4,433. In arithmetic, Milldred Campbell is first, with 185 out of 250, whilst Gerald Peters is only three marks below.

The Rev. Stanley Ard, who examined the upper and lower fourth in scripture and catechism, says that the papers this year show a marked improvement. Nearly all the girls scored high marks and no one failed.

I had intended giving a prize for writing in the senior form, but the writing was so excellent that I could get no two people to agree who had won the prize.

Gladys Pitts, Marguerite Langley and Daisy Wilson deserve special mention for their maps.

It is always a difficult matter to give prizes and I am afraid there is always a certain amount of disappointment. Several girls who have not won prizes tonight, have nevertheless made rapid improvement during the term, perhaps they may carry off prizes another year. Above all, I hope that the knowledge which they have gained may remain with them for life. It is our aim in the school to give each pupil a through grounding that she may not lose when she leaves the examination room.

Form 3. Jessie Prior has taken the English and French prizes, she has worked splendidly and richly deserves them. The arithmetic prize has been won by Carol Eberts. Brownie and Innes Bodwell and Carol Eberts were not here for the opening of the term, but they have all worked enthusiastically and deserve great praise. Lucy Little did well through the term and in the examination and had she been able to stay for all of them would I think have taken a prize. Unfortunately she was called away to Boston suddenly, and her part in the French play has been ably taken by Daisy Wilson.

In Form 2, Isabel Wilson has done so well that the only trouble her teachers have had has been to hold her back that the little brain might not be overworked. She has carried off her class prize. Ethel Rhodes, Totie Day, Allison Taylor and Herschel Harrison also deserve special mention for their work, the three former have each won a prize for general improvement, Herschel only lost his through absence.

In lower 2, Davida Ker has won the class prize. Dorothy Kingham and Dorothy Hanham have also done well, the former won the reading prize.

In Form 1, Gipsie Ward has worked splendidly, and last, but notl east, Kenneth Skene, and Frank Rattenbury have each done so well that I have been obliged to include them in the prize list.

I am deeply indebted to a number of friends for the prizes. The lord bishop gave the scripture prize, others were given by the Mesdames Prior, Taylor, Bodwell, Campbell, Ker, Rome, Peters, Baker, Mr. Pitts, Professor Don Jour Jonty and Rev. Stanley Ard. Our numbers have been well up to the average. The attendance has been regular on the whole and we have had ever forty on the roll.

I am glad to have the opportunity of publicly thanking my staff for their loyal work and co-operation with me in the best interests of the school; the parents for their kind support and the many little encouraging messages I have received from time to time, and all the friends who have helped me for such a a number of years, and have come again to cheer and encourage the children at their Christmas entertainment.

In conclusion my lord, I wish to thank you heartily for presiding and presenting the prizes tonight, and to Canon Beanlands for reading my report.

AGNES S. BLAIKLOCK.

At the conclusion of the report and after a few cheering words from Canon Beanlands, the bishop again rose and made a very suitable little address to the pupils, pointing out the advisability of trying to run the race with all their hearts and illustrating his point with the well known story of Hippomenes and Atalanta. His lordship then went on to point out that the greatest and best lesson they could learn and one which he believed and hoped they had learnt, was, to show kindness and consideration for each other. This remark was driven home by a clever little poem culled from a recent paper.

The bishop was listened to with great interest and then the lucky winners of the prizes went up to him for the beautiful books, which he handed to them with a few well chosen words.

The programme which included pianoforte duets and solos, capital recitations, a French play entitled "La Recreation Perdue" given by the girls of the lower 4th and an English play called "Mr. Smart's Relations," which had been adapted from the French of Emile Souvestree to suit the class, was well rendered by the girls on form 4.

The parts in the French play were taken by the Misses Jessie Prior, Mildred Campbell, Gladys Langton, Anna Taylor and Daisy Wilson.

In "Mrs. Smart's Relations" the caste was as follows:

Mrs. Frazer, "Mrs. Smart's Executrix," .....Miss Gladys Pitts.
Lady Boodle, "Would-be Heiresses" .....Miss Mildred Campbell.
Mrs. Noodle, "Would-be Heiresses" .....Miss Nora Combe
Martha, (a farm servant and the real heiress) ..Miss Lillian Elford
Dorothea Tompkins, (Mrs. Frazer's maid) .....Miss Marjorie Rome
Emily (Lady Boodle's maid)..... .....Miss Kathleen Taylor
Cabby .....Anna Taylor
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At the close of the evening Mrs. Blacklock and staff were heartily congratulated on the success of the entertainment.

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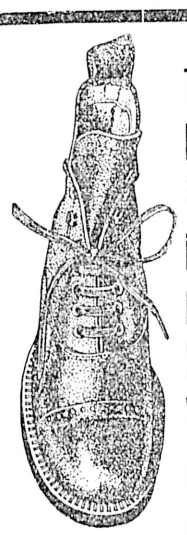

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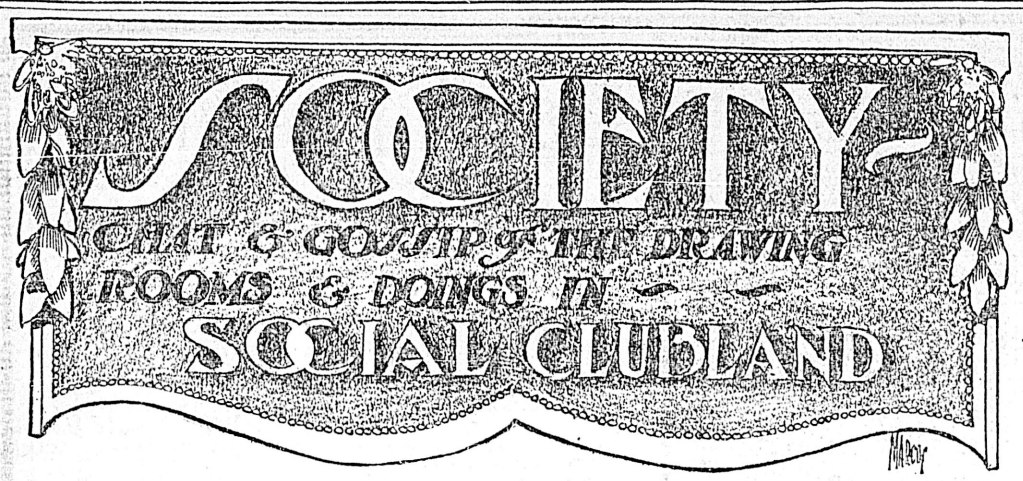

Never in its history has the venerable Assembly Hall looked better than it did on Wednesday night, when the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club gave one of their delightful dances. Through the kindness of Captain Parry of the Egeria an abundance of flags were available for the decorations, and also two or three of his men were there to assist the ladies in arranging them, and that they were effectively arranged under the management of Mrs. Genge and Miss Pooley, no one seeing the beautiful transformation wrought in the dance hall could deny. Ensigns, code flags, pendants, etc., combined with pretty hued festoons of Japanese paper and evergreens made a beautifully quaint picture. At the farther end of the hall several comfortable sitting-out booths and cosey corners were very prettily arranged. One of these was done by Wetner Bros., but the others, as well as the music corner and spectators' apartment, were the work of the lady members, of whom the following are a number: Mrs. Hermann Robertson, Miss Pemberton, the Misses Bell, Miss Green, Miss Bryden, Miss Violet Pooley, Miss Eva Loewen, Mrs. (Col.) Prior, and others. Beyond these booths were comfortable card rooms, where the lovers of a quieter amusement could indulge in a game of "bridge." The supper room was the work of Mrs. Henry Croft, and no pen can adequately describe the beauty of its decorations. In the centre of the largest table was a magnificent point settia plant, with its glorious red blooms. Surrounding it were beautiful trailing ferns. On each corner were choice red carnations, backgrounded by gypsophilia, maidenhair ferns, etc.; while interspersed were massive silver candlesticks with red shades. Over all were suspended red bells and streamers. The smaller tables were largely duplicates of the large one. The walls were covered with red bunting, and the windows were covered with the same. Here a dainty buffet supper was served about midnight. The music was supplied by Miss Thain and her capable accompanist, and no finer could be produced. Captain Parry and his officers were all in uniform, lending further brilliancy to the scene, which the many attending enjoyed well into the morning hours.

Some of those present were: Miss Pooley, in a very pretty black gown; Miss Violet Pooley, in dainty white; Mrs. Genge wore a handsome gown of Nile green and gold brocade trimmed with old lace and chiffon; Mrs. D. Rogers, a pretty all-lace dress; Mrs. (Dr.) Hasell, a mauve velvet gown; Miss Alice Bell, a white silk over pink; Miss Bell, a pretty cream lace; the Misses Hickey looked well in pretty pink with roses; Mrs. W. Langley, pink and white; Miss Langley, a pretty white chiffon gown; Miss Eva Loewen, in white over pale blue; Mrs. Gibb wore a handsome black gown; Mrs. Bodwell, a pale Nile green satin; Mrs. T. S. Gore, a dainty white costume; Mrs. Hermann Robertson also looked well in a pretty white dress; Miss Powell wore a pretty pale blue; Miss Bryden, a pretty cream dress; Miss Monteith, a handsome black gown; Miss Parry, a pretty lace over pale blue; Miss P. Drake, white; Miss Eberts, a pretty black dress; Miss Green looked very pretty in a black sequin dress; Miss Butchart looked well in white, and Miss Mary Butchart, pale blue; Mrs. G. Yale Simpson, black sequin net with pale blue trimmings; Miss Todd, lace over pale blue; Miss Madge Walker looked well in a pretty ecru dress, as did also the Misses McKay in black with white trimmings; Miss Mara, white with green trimmings; Mrs. J. D. Pemberton looked well in black with scarlet roses; Mrs. and Miss Mainwaring Johnson, the latter in a pretty scarlet dress; the Misses King in white with black trimmings; Miss Beth Irving extremely pretty in white; Miss Violet Powell wore a handsome blue silk; Miss Cobbet, black; Miss Bridgeman, white chiffon; Miss Gladys Green, black spangled dress. Others were Mrs. Mainwaring Johnson, the Misses Pitts, Misses Tilton, Miss Nellie Dupont, Miss Ethel Browne, Miss P. Drake, Miss Baiss, Mrs. and Miss Cobbett, Captain Parry, Lieut. Willis, Dr. Tomlinson, Lieut. Maitland Kerwin, Dr. Scrivener, Lieut. Tinson, Lieut. Yates, Barracks; Mr. D. Rogers, Mr. T. S. Gore, Mr. Sydney Gibb, Mr. Johnsion, Mr. Cornwall, Mr. D. Pemberton, Mr. Muskett, Mr. C. Harris, Mr. Basil Prior, Mr. Percy Keefer, Mr. Jack Rithet, Mr. Bell, Mrs. Monteith, Mr. Scowcroft, Mr. Crease, Mr. Harvey, Mr. W. Langley, Mr. F. B. Pemberton, Lieut. Col Gregory, Mr. Elliston, Mr. Dougald Gillespie, Mr. Gamble, Mr Browne, Mr. Kenneth Gillespit, Mr. Todd, Dr. Watt, Mr. Bridgeman Mr. Jim Lawson, Mr. T. Futcher, Mr. Gaudin, Mr. C. McKillican, Mr. P. Fawcett, Mr. Arthur Gore, Mr. H. Austin and many others.

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The Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club versus the Nanaimo Club, played a keenly contested game at Oak Bay Park on Saturday, 16th inst, resulting in the Victoria ladies winning the victory. After the game, Mr. Virtue, of the Oak Bay hotel, entertained the ladies with a most daintily served tea. This was followed by some choice music, both vocal and instrumental, given by musical members of the party. In the evening a small but very successful dance was held in the A. O. U. W. hall, the supper room of which was beautifully decorated with arches, Christmas bells, red and white flowers, candelabra, etc. Here a delicious repast was served about midnight. Some of those present were the following: Miss Gibson, Miss Teague, Miss Escott, Miss Alkenhead, Miss Priestly, Miss Shepherd, Miss Bate, Miss Webb, Miss Shaw, Miss Lewis, Miss Dobson, Mrs. Webb, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Teague of Nanaimo and Miss Leeming, Miss Nason, Miss C. Hardie, Miss C. Jay, Miss Roberts, Miss Clark, Miss Lowe, Miss Buckett, Miss McDonald, Miss Fell, Miss White, Miss Wilson, Miss Locke, Miss Dollie Sehl, Miss Newcombe, Miss Keefe, Miss Raymond, Miss Nicholles, Miss Sehl, Miss Reede, Miss Heyland, Miss A. Leiser, Mr. Norman Hardie, Mr. P. Keefer, Mr. C. E. Wilson, Mr. Monteith, Mr. E. Harvey, Mr. R Angus, Mr. E. Hardie, Mr. J. Bridgman, Mr. H. Austin, Mr. T. Fawcett, Mr. H. Lawson, Mr. H. Dalby, Mr. A. MacLean, Mr. Kingsmill, Mr. E. McCannon, Mr. F. Clark, Mr. H. Laing, Mr. J. G. Brown, Mr. R. Jaegers, Mr. B Schwengers, Miss F. Vincent, Miss Atkinson, Mr. D. B. McConnan and others.

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On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Berkeley, at her residence, Burdette avenue, entertained informally a few of her lady friends at "bridge." The apartments were prettily decorated with chrysanthemums, carnations, ivy and trailing vines, the tea room being especially aritstic, done in pink carnations, vines and ferns. The tea tables were presided over by Mrs. S. Gore and Mrs. Tuck. Some of those who greatly enjoyed the entertainment were Mrs. Butchart, Mrs. T. S. Gore, Mrs. S. Gibb, Mrs. James Raymur, Mrs. W. S. Gore, Mrs. Piggott, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs (Capt.) Irving, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. R. Heyland, Mrs. George Campbell, Mrs. Courtney and others.

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The children's ball given in honor of little Miss Dorothy Hunter Lester's birthday, on Saturday, 10th inst., at A. O. U. W. Hall, was a very pretty function. Little Masters and Misses ranging in years from four to sixteen, and to the number of about 130, were present to wish her many happy returns of the day, and to participate in the amusement provided. The decorations were done by Mrs. (Chief Justice) Hunter and her assistants, and nothing could be prettier, especially the supper room, where the children enjoyed a dainty repast between six and seven. The color scheme here was red, red streamers, red candles on birthday cake, and in silver candelabra red boubineres, red holly, all combined with evergreen and white chrysanthemums, etc., to make a charming effect. The children, under the management of Mrs. Lester, entered the supper room to the strains of the grand march, played by Miss Heater, who ably supplied the music throughout the evening. The little hostess, who wore a pretty red costume, and her partner occupied the head of the table. All her other little friends were seated around making a handsome animated picture. The following young ladies executed a very pretty skirt dance: Miss Enid Langley, Miss Mildred Sargison, Miss Dorothy Lester and Miss Gladys Anderson, while the Spanish dance with castenets was rendered by Misses Ethel Smith and Mildred Sargison in costume. The prize waltz was won by Master Romie Brown and Gladys Anderson, the former having only had two months tuition. Little Dorothy was the recipient of many beautiful presents, amongst the number being a pretty watch from her godmother, Mrs. (Justice) Hunter. Some of the guests were: Master Arthur Boggs, Master Herbert Boggs, Miss Mary Boggs, Master Fred Elworthy, Master Robert Elworthy, Miss Emily Elworthy, Master Marshall Henderson, Miss Aubrey Kent, Miss Marjorie Kent, Mr. Truesdale Kent, Miss Freda Watt, Miss Marjorie Briggs, Mr. Ivan Sparrow, Miss Elsie Sparrow, Mr. Frederick Brenchly, Miss Lollie Brenchly, Miss Dorothy Brenchly, Mr. Jack Brenchly, Miss Ermine Bass, Mr. Buzzles Bass, Mr. Fred Skeene, Miss Dorothy Dmick, Willie Shakespeare, J. Lang, Miss Mabie Booz, Miss Ella Cullin, Miss May Lang, the Misses Sehl, Master Cyril Baker, Miss Hilda Baker, H. Baker, Miss Gypsy Sintzer, Miss Charlotte Clayton, the Misses Erskine, Miss Gertie Yarwood, Master Robie Browne, Master Hughes Brown, the Misses Nanis, Miss Lilian Elford, Miss Kathleen Booth, Miss May Marwick, Master Jack Marwick, Mr. J. McDonald, Clancie Gray, Miss Theresa Mesher, Violet Mesher, Master Ivor Grant, Miss Hilda Ireland, Sybil Ireland, Miss Maggie Clark, Miss Eva Munsie, Miss Florence Munsie, Miss Eliene Mulcany, Miss Hattie Chapman, Master Bonnie Gilbert, Master Walton Gilbert, Miss Justine Gilbert, Miss Dorothy Colby, Miss Dollie Smith, Miss Doris Law, F. Wilkerson, Miss Enid Langley, Miss Kathleen West, Miss Lillie Nicholls, Miss Helma Nicholles, Miss Gladys Anderson, Master Artie Anderson, Miss Eleanor Gibbs, B. Mowatt, Miss Grace Cameron, Miss Jean Cameron, Miss Reggie Pennock, Miss Queenie Pennock, Mr. Ed Rostein, Miss Flora Shore, J. Waddington, Miss Mildred Sargison, Miss Ethel Smith, Miss Addie McGregor, Miss Sadie McGregor, Miss Thelma Todd, Miss Bee Proctor, F. Proctor and many others.

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The Halycon Club will hold their next dance on Tuesday, January 2.

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A fair audience greeted the performers at the W. C. T. U. entertainment, held on Tuesday evening at Institute hall. The different departments of the work of the society were demonstrated by each superintendent, respectively, assisted by several junior workers. Some of these were very interesthg, and showed the noble work these women are trying to accomplish. The tableaus, "Rock of Ages," by Helen Brown, and "Around the World," by several children, were very well rendered, especially the former. The Misses Scowcroft also added to the enjoyment by giving a vocal quartette and trio.

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Mrs. Birch, of Sidney, spent a few days in town last week, doing some Christmas shopping.

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The married Ladies' Club, under the management of Mrs. Simpson, held another of their enjoyable dances on Tuesday evening. The next will be on January 2nd, when the ladies intend giving an "at home" to a number of their friends.

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Mr. C. B. Daniels, formerly of this city, but now accountant of the Royal Bank of Canada at New Westminster, arrived here yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with his friends.

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Mrs. Carmichael of Wharnock, B. C., arrived in Victoria last week. She will remain the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Bamford, Carr street, throughout the holidays.

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Senator Templeman returned from a trip to the interior last week. While away he visited Calgary, Edmonton, Regina and Prince Albert.

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Mrs. James Dunsmuir returned on Tuesday from an enjoyable trip to California. Miss Dunsmuir and the other members of the family, remained for a longer stay at the Golden Gate.

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Dominion Express Agent Oliver left on Tuesday for Ontario, California, where he expects to rusticate for three or four months.

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The Marlborough Ladies Club intend holding another of their enjoyable dances on December 28th.

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Mrs. (Rev.) J. Pritchard of Fredley, Montana, is here visiting Mrs. T. D. Sedger, Lampson street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lugrin, Gorge Road, have as their guest during the Christmas holidays, Lieu E. Curzon-Howe, deputy collector of revenue for the Tanana Canal zone.

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Mrs. (Capt.) Bisset of Vancouver, with her little son, spent last week in Victoria. She was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Sehnoetter of South Turner street.

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Mrs. J. B. Hobson of Cariboo, and two sons, are enojying Victoria's delightful winter here. They are guests at the Driard during the winter months. Mr. Hobson, some time ago, purchased the Irving residence on Belcher street, where they will later on reside permanently.

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The Thursday evening dancing class intend giving a social evening next Thursday, 28th inst., at which all pupils and friends will be welcome. It will be given under the management of Mrs. G. Y. Simpson at Assembly Hall.

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Mrs. Van Geison and daughter, of Banked, near Banff, are at present in the city. They will remain guests at the Dallas Hotel throughout the winter months.

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Friends of Mr. J. Murray, formerly of the post office inspection office, this city, but now of Vancouver will be pleased to know that he has received the appointment of post office inspector at Vancouver.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Poff are at present making their headquarters at the Driard, where they will likely remain throughout the winter.

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Mrs. Maynard McDonald, who has spent some time in Victoria, left for her home in Vancouver last Wednesday.

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Mrs. Simpson's usual Monday dancing class will this week be held on Tuesday, the day after Christmas.

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Mr. Sproat, engineer of the White Pass & Yukon railway, is making Victoria his headquarters for some time. He is a guest at the King Edward.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kiddie of Crofton, were in town most of the week, purchasing Christmas goods. They stayed at the King Edward.

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Miss Margaret Arbuckle arrived here from Portland on Thursday. She will remain the winter with her mother, Mrs. T. S. Gore, who with Mr. Gore, is a guest at Gore Mount, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gore.

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Mr. E. A. Wilmot, formerly city engineer of Victoria, is here at present. Mr. Wilmot is now inspector of dykes on the Mainland. While here he makes the King Edward his headquarters, but is renewing many old acquaintances.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henderson of Seattle, are spending their honeymoon in Victoria.

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Mr. H. W. Lang, of the Northern Pacific railway office here, left for Vancouver on Friday night, to spend Christmas with his father and mother.

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The residence of Mr. Chris Spencer, Birdcage Walk, presented a very animated scene on Friday evening, when Mrs. Spencer gave a Christmas tree and entertainment to about sixty children and adults. The pretty rooms were festooned with autumn leaves, evergreens, etc. The tree looked very pretty, laden as it was with gifts for all and brilliantly lighted with electric lights. Before distributing the gifts a good musical programme was rendered by the following: Miss Charlotte Spencer, a much appreciated solo; the Mises Grant, recitations; Miss Gladys Spencer, violin solo; Master Evan Spencer, recitation; Misses Flossie and Norma Spencer, each a piano solo. Besides these all joined heartily in carols and chorus. Mrs. Spencer's mother, Mrs. Evans, and the Misses Spencer, presided at the refreshment tables, which were also prettily decorated. It is needless to add that the little folk, one and all, returned to their homes delighted with their evening's entertainment.

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Mr. and Mrs. Price, of Duncans, who have spent some time in Victoria, returned home on Friday. While here Mr. Price, in company with Mr. Pojet, of England, went on a hunting trip up the West Coast. They were successful in capturing two large bears. Mr. Pojet is staying at the King Edward.

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Dr. Scharzmidt of White Horse, is visiting Victoria. During the week he spent a few days in Vancouver.

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Miss Charlotte Spencer, who had been in Minneapolis with her sister, Mrs. McCroson, for several months, returned home last week. While there Miss Spencer was receiving vocal culture from one of the best teachers.

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The Assembly Club held another of their enjoyable dances on Friday evening at the Assembly hall. This was in the form of a social dance, and was so successful that they decided to hold several more of a like nature during the winter months. The hall was still in gala dress from the Tennis dance, and Miss Thain's orchestra supplied her usual excellent music. Light refreshments were served about midnight. Amongst those present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Goward, Miss Maurice Fell, Mr. J. Lawson, Miss Kate Fraser, Miss Mattie Garvin, Mr. Eyers, Mr. Jack Leeming, Miss J. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. R. Grant, Mr. L. and the Misses O'Keefe, Mr. E. McQuade, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. J. W. D. Yorke, Miss V. Harvie, Mr. Fred White, Miss Gertie White, Mrs. and Miss Saunders, Mr. L. S. V. Yorke, Miss Pearl Garvin, Mr. Jack Hart, Miss Cecil Hardie, Mr. Frank White, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. J. McArthur, Miss L. Cullin, Mr. W. Winsby, Mrs. and Misses Smith, Mr. Douglass McConnan, Miss Edith Lindsay, Mr. N. Gowen, Mr. J. Y. Simpson, Mr. P. Cudlip, Mrs. and Miss Lena Bone, Mr. Norman Seabrook, Mrs. and Miss Marie George, Mr. E. Townsley, Miss McDonald, Mr. E. Vaughn, Mr. Frank Clark, Miss Maud Bone, Mrs. Bordman, Mr. Arthur Belyea, Miss Marie Camsusa, Mr. Edward McQuade, Miss F. Kermode, Mr. Jack Belyea, Miss B. Hall, Mr. G. Yale Simpson, Mr. Sippel, Mr. B. Bell, Miss Ena White, Mr. R. Harris and others.

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Mr. Jack Sweet, son of Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, James Bay, arrived home last week to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents. Mr. Sweet is one of the firm of Sweet & Bond, Vancouver.

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Miss F. W. Gowen left last Tuesday for a long sojourn in Mexico. Before her departure Mrs. C. Gowen entertained a number of her young lady friends at their home, McGregor avenue, as a farewell party for her daughter.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton, Sr., of Rocklands, Rockland avenue, celebrated on Friday last, very quietly, owing to Mrs. Dumbleton's illness, their diamond wedding. They were married at George, in the Cape of Good Hope, on the 22nd of December, 1845. Mrs. Dumbleton's health, we are glad to learn, is improving.

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The many friends of Miss E. Williams gave a most enjoyable surprise party on Wednesday evening at her home on Market street. The occasion being her birthday, and a jolly time was passed until the early hours in the morning.

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Mrs. C. Bampfylde Daniell, R. M. S., who has lately come to reside here, has just completed a life-size portrait in pastel of Miss Denise Harris, grand-daughter of the late respected Governor Sir James Douglas, K. C. B., which is much admired and considered a good likeness, the child's fair beauty being well set off by the background of trees and water, the roses she holds in her hand "carrying the color through" in an artistic manner. Mrs. Daniell's miniatures, exhibited by courtesy of Messrs. Challoner & Mitchell in their window on Government street, are pretty well-known now in Victoria, but she does not wish it to be thought she is only a "miniature painter. Far from that. Mrs. Daniells considers her larger work is decidedly her best, and only for the last few years has she taken to painting miniatures. She is a member of the Royal Miniature Society and until lately of the society of Miniaturists. As Mrs. Daniell says, "even in art one must follow the fashion if one wishes to succeed."

Miniatures have been much in request in England recently, but Mrs. Daniell is an old student of the Royal Academy, where scarcely anything but life-size work is taught, and she has had the great advantage there of studying for seven years under men like Watts, Millais, Leighton, Aalma Tadema, etc. From the first she took to portraits. Mr. Oatess took much interest in her work, and from the time she was admitted to the schools of the Royal Academy portrait painting became her special study. "It was my dear old 'godfather in painting,' as he called himself," said Mrs. Mariied, "Mr. Frith, R. A., who told me as a girl of 18 years that there was only one man in London who could teach one how to draw, the late Mr. Carez of Bloomsbury streett W., so I went to him. He never taught me to draw straight lines. Indeed I remember how annoyed he was once at a student trying laboriously to do this. 'Take a ruler and rule it; don't waste time like that!' said the gruff old man. He taught me so well that in five months I was admitted to the schools of the Royal Academy and very soon started going portraits." Lord Cowley, for many years ambassador in Paris, first discovered her talent for catching a likeness. She did three portraits for him in crayons, and the first head she painted at the Royal Academy was so much a success that the late Earl of Limerick sat for her, and several of his family. Then followed many others, the Marquis of Lansdowne's son, Countess of March, late wife of the present Duke of Richmond, Lady Louise Egerton, sister of the Duke of Devonshire, and many others. As Mrs. Daniell laughingly says at times: "I am not known to fame, but to Mayfair, which is nearly as good."

The list of titled persons Mrs. Daniell has painted would be wearisome to detail, but she has painted many celebrated beauties, as Lady Alington, and clever women also, as Miss Beale, of the Ladies college, Cheltenham, who is always an admirer of her work. Mrs. Daniell has frequently held classes and had much success as a teacher. She had for some time a class in London in connection with Mr. Sanber and Mr. Alyn Williams, in which the Duchess of Devonshire, Lady Frederick Cavendish, the Duchess of Wellington, Lady Tees Sturt (now Lady Alington) were interested. Mrs. Daniell values especially the recognition of well-known lovers of art like Lord Redesdale and the late Duke of Westminster, who expressed approval of her work. Lord Redesdale has always been a great personal friend of King Edward and is a man of great culture. It is well known that the grounds of Buckingham Palace were laid out under his directions, and that His Majesty has great regard for his taste. He had the arrangement of the pictures and the miniatures at Hertford House (Wallace collection). Mrs. Daniell did portraits of his twin children and also by special request taught them drawing just before leaving England. The late Duke of Westminster gave Mrs. Daniell permission to copy for a cousin of hers who is a descendant of the "Blue Boy," that celebrated picture by Gainsborough now at Grosvenor House, and he was so pleased with the copy that he told his secretary if any copies of the picture were required by any one Mrs. Daniell was by his wish to do them. Mrs. Daniell painted sixteen portraits the year before she left England. This, as anyone must know, means very hard work. "I have had a nice rest here, however," she says, "and I badly wanted it, too."

Mrs. Daniell would hardly have left London but for the great shock experienced in the death of her only daughter, who was her companion and pupil. "She did not want much teaching," she says. "It was as natural for her to paint as for a bird to fly." Raphael Tuck, Marcus Ward and Faulkner, the great art publishers, all bought her designs, and it was her design of "Peace" that was chosen for the Queen's souvenir card at the dinner given by Her Majesty to the widows and orphans of the soldiers who fell in the African war. She did not know of the honor done her, as she died after a few weeks' illness before her last design was reproduced. Her Majesty, with her usual kindness, on hearing of her sad death, expressed her sympathy, and sent some of the cards to Mr. and Mrs. Daniell herself, with a kind letter.

"I could not bear London after she died," says Mrs. Daniell, and the doctors said I must leave, so we came here, where one of our sons was living, as we liked all he told us of the beautiful climate and country and I wanted a thored portraits all over Englandemfwypp ough change."

Mrs. Daniell has painted portraits all over England and does not feel that disdance it any bar to painting portraits. "Indeed I like nothing better," she says, "than to be asked to go and stay in the country to paint two or three portraits, as long as I can have the run of the house and not be dragged out of my temporary studio to play bridge in the afternoons or to be dragged over wet fields when there is a big 'shoot.' The eccentricities of genius' are generally respecttd, I find, however, and I have a lovely and peaceful time and get on much faster than I do in my own studio often."

The King of Spain and His Fiance.

KING ALFONSO XIII — PRINCESS VICTORIA EUGÉNIE of BATTENBERG

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Figaro this morning declares that a definite agreement has been reached between the British and Spanish governments regarding the betrothal of King Alfonso and Princess Ena of Battenberg, but that the official announcement will not be made for several weeks.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY

Engraving on diamonds has been greatly developed within recent years. Using tools of his own invention, Bordinet the Paris jeweler, has succeeded in polishing concave parts as well as plane surfaces, and in modeling freely. One specimen of his art in a yataghan having a thin diamond for a blade and a ruby for the handle. He has also cut a pansy with leaves on a large diamond, made a knife out of two diamonds, made a beautiful bicycle with two diamonds for wheels, cut one diamond in the shape of a fish, produced an exquisite brooch consisting of a beetle surrounded by sapphires and brilliants, made other brooches in the form of flies with thin engraved diamonds for wings and cut armoral bearings upon some gems. Most remarkable of all is a ring of diamond with polished inner surface and outside finely engraved.

The Rhone near Bellegarde disappears for a considerable distance in a subterranean gulf. The engineers propose to change this interesting geological feature by damming the river and turning the water into two parallel tunnels, which will lead the stream two miles and a half to two power generating stations. Here a fall of nearly 200 feet will yield 155,000 horse power for 300 days in the year. The cost is placed at $5,000,000 and this use of the power is estimated to be equivalent to working an inexhaustible coal bed supplying 1,600,000 tons a year at 50 or 60 cents per ton.

Biograph records are proving useful in showing the variations in disease as well as for medical teaching. Dr. W. G. Chase reports having biographed 21 separate epileptic seizures and one rare case of eye disease. Thrown upon a screen, the enlarged pictures reproduce the action of the muscles very clearly.

The automatic production of wire fencing in continuous rolls is a late development in electric welding. Galvanized wires are fed from reels arranged vertically and parallel to each other, and from another reel placed transversely to these are cut off lengths of wire, which are fed horizontally across the vertical wires. At the points of intersection of the horizontal and vertical wires, welds are made by means of small transformers. The welded section is then moved forward a regulated distance, and the operation is repeated.

Modern theories deal with various kinds of corpuscles, but none seem to be more unfamiliar than those of odors, with which we have always been surrounded. So little matter is given off in odors that the balance cannot detect it, iodoform, for example, losing not more than a thousandth part in a century. A French physicist, A. Baldit, has found that the odor corpuscles affect the leakage of electricity from electrified bodies, and he proposes to use this discovery for studying the character of odors and the part they play in plants. In his experiments, performed in unfavorable weather, a rod of resin and an electroscope were enclosed in a glass jar, when the admission of vanilla odor sensibly lessened the loss of electricity from the charged rod.

The use of furze in papar-making suggests a new class of materials to take the place of the rapidly disappearing timber supply. On boiling under pressure with caustic soda lye, treating with sulphuric acid, bleaching with chloride of lime, and finally washing, the green plant is converted into a very white and solid pulp, which has proven very suitable for paper-making purposes.

In the mountains of Panay and other island of the southern Philippines, moths can be scraped up by the quart. The natives have learned to prize them as an article of food, and they now collect and eat them in large quantities.

The efficacy of bomb-firing in breaking up hail-storms has been questioned. M. Vidal, the originator of the plan, claims new evidence of its value from a recent severe storm that rapidly swept down from the Bernese Alps through the Rhone valley and over the north end of Lake Leman as far as the Lake of Neuchatel. The entire district was badly damaged by the hail, except two small villages from which bombs were thrown. It is pointed out that places above 2,200 feet in altitude escape damage, and the low elevation of the storm-clouds ensures their breaking up by bombs and rockets, which can be easily made to explode at heights of 1,200 to 1,500 feet. It is urged that stations for bomb-firing be established along the usual routes of the storms, the great damage done quite justifying the expense.

The oxy-acetylene blowpipe, in recent tests, has yielded temperatures as high as 7,000 F., while the oxyhydrogen flame gives only 3,600 degrees to $4,500 degrees. A cubic meter of acetylene was found to develop about 57,000 British thermal units against about 12,000 for a like quantity of hydrogen. In Europe the oxy-acetylene blowpipe is employed on a large scale in welding, and proves very satisfactory and economical for joining tube plates up to half an inch in thickness, and for repairs of tank and boiler plates, bicycle and motor-car frames, and much other work.

Asphaltine, a new paving material that is being tested in England and Germany, gives the appearance of Mosaic marble. It is a mixture of tar with iron slag, is comparatively low in cost, and has been found very elastic, tough and durable. It has resisted heavy traffic with no signs of wear.

Solid concrete cylinders, 12 inches long by 4 inches in diameter, have been submitted by H. Woolson, of Columbia University, to loads of 120,000 to 150,000 pounds. The pieces were much compressed, the diameter being correspondingly increased, but there was no disintegration or powdering.

FINNS SECURE RIGHTS.

Convocation of Diet Marks Success of Struggle Against Russia.

Helsingfors, Dec. 23.—(By courier to St. Petersburg)—The convocation of the Finnish diet marking simultaneously the restoration of Finnish liberties and the last appearance of the old parliament consisting of the four ancient states, the nobles, the clergy, the bughers and the peasants was a picturesque affair. The old world ceremonial was followed. Heralds made their appearance in the street, summoning the estates to the magnificent cathedral where with the minister in gorgeous trappings, prayers were said and Te Deum was chanted in the Sweedish and Finnish tongues. Then the estate headed by Governor General Gerhard and his suit in brilliant uniforms marched in an imposing procession between cheering crowds to the palace overlooking the sea. There standing in front of the gilded throne, surmounted with the golden leaf of Finland and the double-headed eagle of Russia, the governor general, in the name of his imperial master

Gave Back the Ancient Liberties

to the hardy race of the north whose brave struggle against the Russian nation for their country has attracted the sympathy of the world. The audience at the palace contained many persons who had suffered exile rather than submit.

Baron Von-Born, a marshal of the nobility, who replied to the Emperor's speech in behalf of his estate, and M. Pokka, who spoke on behalf of the peasantry, had returned to Finland since the manifestos were issued. Bishop Praleery acted as spokesman for the clergy and M. Vonpfaeler, a banker, for the Bughers.

Carefully Worded Speeches

The replies of the presidents of the estates were cordial in vein but each took care to say that the imperial manifesto was "accepted as the restoration of the original constitutional rights of Finland guaranteed by Alexander I."

At the same time they added their assurance that the Emperor might have full confidence in the loyalty of the Finns under a regime of legislative, active and judicial freedom. Baron Von Born also took the occasion to say the universal satisfaction with which the world would welcome the inauguration of a new era for Russia is heartily echoed by Finland.

And at the conclusion of the ceremonies he called for three cheers for the Emperor, which were given enthusiastically. Throughout the best of feelings were manifested and tonight there is general merry-making in the city.

NEW ITALIAN CABINET.

Rome, Dec. 22.—King Victor Emanuel today entrusted the retiring premier, Alessandro ortis, with the formation of a new cabinet. The Messaggedio and the Giornale Di Italia mention Baron Mayor Des Planches, ambassador at Washington, as the probable foreign minister.

SAFETY OF BRITISHERS.

Consuls at Russian Ports Empowered to Charter Vessels if Necessary.

London, Dec. 22.—It was announced today that the British government, in response to communications from its consuls at Riga and other Russian ports, has authorized them in case of danger to charter vessels for the removal of British subjects.

CHAFFEE REFUSES OFFER.

Declines Mayor McClellan's Tender of Appointment as Police Commissioner

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—Lieut.-Gen. Chaffee today received a letter from Mayor McClellan of New York tendering him an appointment as police commissioner of New York. He returned a courteous declination.

SECOND HAGUE CONFERENCE.

Former Minister Choate to Act as American Chairman.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Post tomorrow will say: Joseph H. Choate, who recently was succeeded at the court of St. James as United States ambassador by Whitelaw Reid, in all likelihood will be named by President Roosevelt as chairman of the American delegation to the second Hague peace conference. This selection virtually was decided on by the President yesterday.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGES BURN.

Transfer Company's Storage in Brooklyn Destroyed This Morning.

New York, Dec. 23.—Fire early this morning destroyed the buildings extending from Nos. 50 to 58 Nashau street, in Brooklyn, and occupied by the New York Transfer Company as a stable and storeroom for trunks in transit. Thousands of packages of Christmas goods were destroyed.

The New York Transfer Company includes Dodd's Express and the delivery department of Adams Express Company. The loss will be about $100,000.

THE ROSSLAND EXPLOSION.

Nearly Everybody in Town Repairing Breakages in Glass Windows.

Nearly everybody in town was busy yesterday repairing the damage that had been done to their premises by the explosion of Saturday —says the Rossland Miner. Glass was principally in demand, and some of the makeshift windows which were improvised to take the place of the large plate glass windows, which have been ordered at the coast, seemed to be a patchwork of glass. What glass there was in town has nearly all been sold and considerable more could have been marketed were it of the right size and quality. The supply within the next few days will be equal to the demand, as several carloads of ordinary and plate glass have been ordered at Vancouver and some of this should get here within the next two or three days. In a short time all of the buildings that are occupied will be supplied with windows. Where glass could not be immediately procured, in a large number of instances, windows were boarded up, which gave Columbia avenue the appearance of a street in a deserted town, in marked contrast to what it was on Friday night, when the shop windows fairly shone with a wealth of beautiful Christmas goods. To repair all of the damage done, however, will take several weeks, if not months, and there will be work for carpenters, glaziers, painters, plasterers and decorators for some time to come.

The Police Remembered.—The police force of the city acknowledges the receipt of a box of choice Havanas from each of the following: Ald. Douglas, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., L. G. Quagliotti, Chas. Hayward and the Colonist Printing & Publishing Co.

Christmas in City Churches

Some Special Services and Sermons in Honor of Natal Day of Our Lord.

Music of Appropriate Character to Be Heard in All Edifices.

In all of the local churches, special Christmas music and general appropriate services will characterize the day, the order of arrangements being as follows:

Christ Church Cathedral.

Services: Holy communion at 8 a. m.; morning service and litany at 11 a. m.; evening service and carols at 7 p. m. Preacher, Canon Beanlands.

The music set for the day follows:

Morning.

Voluntary—Andante Grazioso ...... Smart
Venite .... Novello
Psalms for 24th Morning.... Cath. Psalter
Te Deum .... Woodward
Benedictus .... Langdon
Hymns 53, 202, 203
Voluntary—Festal March ...... H. Smart

Evening.

Voluntary—Pastorale—Herald Angels. .... Dethier
Processional Hymn 391
Psalms for 24th Evening.... Cath. Psalter
Magnificat .... H. Smart in F
Nunc Dimittis .... H. Smart in F
Anthem—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" .... Sir J. Stainer
Bass Solo, Mr. H. Moxon.
Hymn 62

Carols.

"The First Christmas Morn".......... .... Ernest Newton
"Morning Dawns....... H. Davan Wetton
"In the Fields With Their Flocks".. .... A. M. Goodhart
"Now Dies in David's City .... Rev. John Swire
Soloists, Masters W. Courtney and D. Pennock and Mr. S. Clegg.
Solo .... "Nazareth"
Mr. P. Wollaston, jr.
"Angels From the Realms of Glory" .... J. H. Maunder
"The Word Was Made Incarnate".... .... Thomas Adams
"Sleep, Holy Babe" .... J. T. Field
"Two Thousand Troubled Years".... .... Sir J. F. Bridge
Hymn 59
Voluntary—Allegro Vivoce.... Otto Dieuel

St. John's.

Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard will preach in the morning and the Rev. Percival Jenns in the evening, at which Xmas carols will be sung.

The following is the music:

Morning.

Organ—Pastorel Symphony........ Handel
Venite .... Novello
Psalms for 24th Morning.... Cath Psalter
Te Deum .... J. E. West in G
Jubilate .... Hayes
Anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord"... Hollins
Hymn 47
Litany .... Barnby
Hymns 51, 203
Organ—"O Thou that Tellest".... Handel

Evening.

Organ—Pastorale .... Wely
Psalms for 24th Evening.... Cath. Psalter
Magnificat .... Marks in C
Nunc Dimittis .... Marks in C
Anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord".. Hollins
Hymns 46, 48, 226
Vesper .... Burnett
Organ—Grand Chorus........... Grison

Christmas Morning.

Organ—Noel .... Guilmant
Venite .... Dr. Crotch
Psalms for Christmas Morning....... .... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum .... J. E. West in G
Jubilate .... Hayes
Anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord"... Hollins
Hymn 60
Kyrie .... Burnett
Gloria Tibi .... Burnett
Hymns 62, 313
Organ—Grand Chorus .... Handel
Carols on Sunday night.

Holy communion on Xmas day at 8 a.m. and 11 a. m.

St. Barnabas'.

There will be a celebration of the holy eucharist at 8 a. m.; choral matins and litany at 11; choral evensong at 7, when a collection of carols will be sung, copies of which will be provided for the congregation. The rector, Rev. E. G. Miller, will be the preacher. Morning subject, "The Soul in the Inner Life." Evening, "The Soul in the World and at the Judgment." All seats are free.

The music follows:

Morning.

Organ—Comfort Ye .... Handel
Venite and Psaums..... Cathedral Psalter
Benedicite............. Simper in A Flat
Benedictus .... Rev. J. Troutbeck
Hymns 51, 49, 217
Offertolry Anthem .... Barnby
Organ—"O Thou That Tellest".... Handel

Evening.

Organ—The Pastoral Symphony... Handel
Processional Hymn 60
Proper Psalms 110, 132
Magnificat .... Adams in D
Nunc Dimittis .... Adams in D
Anthem—"Behold I Bring You Good Tidings" .... Simper
Hymns 62, 59
Carol—"Tell All the Earth"...... Simper
Carol—"Christmas Chorus"...... Simper
Carol—"In Excelsis Gloria"....... Simper
Carol Anthem—"Once in Bethlehem". .... Maunder
Carol—"Christmas Bells Are Ringing" .... Simper
Carol—"Carol Joyfully" .... Simper
Carol—"The King of Glory ...... Simper
Vesper—"Jesus We Pray Thee".. Armitage
Organ—"Glory to God" .... Handel

Christmas Day.

There will be celebration of the holy eucharist at 8 and 9 a. m.; matins at 10.30; choral eucharist and sermon at 11:

Processional Hymn 60
Organ—"Christmas Chimes ..... Cristobel
Communion Service.......... Simper in D
Anthem—"The Angel Gabriel.........
Hymns 322, 559, 61
Organ—"The Silver Trumpets".. Winorm

St. James'.

Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. Holy communion at 8, matins and sermon at 11, Sunday schol, with distribution of prizes at 2:30; evensong, (first of the Christmas services), at 7 p. m.

The music follows:

Morning.

Organ .... Voluntary
Venite and Psalms..... Cathedral Psalter
Benedicite .... Skeffington
Benedictus .... Langdon
Hymns 50, 49, 48
Organ .... Voluntary

Evening.

Organ .... Voluntary
Psalms .... Catehdral Psalter
Magnificat .... Barnby
Nunc Dimitis .... S. John
Anthem—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" .... Arthur Sullivan
Soprano Soloist, Miss O'Meara.
Hymns 53, 62
Vesper Hymn .... M. S.
Organ .... Voluntary

Christmas Day.

Holy communion at 8, matins and sermon at 11, second celebration of the holy communion at 12.

The following music will be rendered:

Organ .... Voluntary
Hymn 61
Venite and Psalms..... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum .... Macpherson
Benedictus .... Langdon
Anthem—"Blessed Be the Lord God" .... Caleb Simper
Hymns 60, 59
Kyrie .... Sullivan
Communion Hymn 323
Nunc Dimittis.................... Felton
Organ .... Voluntary

St. Andrew's Presbyterian.

Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A., will be the preacher. Sunday school at 2:30; Bible class at 3.

The following special Christmas music will be rendered:

Morning.

Voluntary—Fantasia on "Christmas Awake" .... Hassard
Hymn 34
Anthem—"Behold I Bring" .... Simper
Hymn 33
Solo—"The First Christmas Morn".. .... E. Newton
Mr. D. B. Christopher.
Hymn 31
Offertory—"The Shepherd's Watch" .... Dr. Lewis
Solo—"While Shepherds Watched".. .... J. Longfield
Miss McCoy.
Hymn 32
Voluntary Chorus—"Glory to God".. .... Handel

Evening.

Voluntary—"Adeste Fideles" ...... Atkins
Anthem—"O Zion That Bringest".... .... Stainer
Tenor Solo, Mr. J. L. Gibson.
Hymn 26
Solo—"Came on the Listening Ear at Night" .... Harker
Miss Jennie Bishop.
Offertory—"Pastorale Symphony".. Handel
Hymn 28
Solo—"He Shall Feed His Flock".. Handel
Mrs. W. E. Staneland.
Hymn 30
Anthem—"The Pilgrims of the Night" .... Nichol
Soprano Obligato, Miss Bishop.
Voluntary Chorus—"For Unto Us a Child Is Born" .... Handel

First Presbyterian

The Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor of the church, will preach at both services. Forenoon at 11 o'clock, evening at 7 o'clock. Subjects, morning, "Christ, the Power of God and the Wonder of Men." Evening, "Christ Born at Bethlehem, the Son of God, the Son of Man, the Saviour of the World." Junior Christian Endeavor Society meets at 10 a. m.; Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m.

The following is the music:

Morning.

Hymns 90, 30, 84
Anthem—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" .... George Kingsley
Tenor Solo—"The First Christmas Morn" .... Ernest Newton
Mr. W. D. Kinnaird.
Anthem—"Exulting Angels in Seraphic Strain" .... White
Soprano, Recitative and Solo.........
Mrs. Wm. Gregson.
Bass Solo, Mr. J. G. Brown.
Soprano Solo—"The Gift" .... Behrend
Mrs. Wm. Gregson.

Evening.

Hymns 34, 33, 28, 26
Tenor Solo—"Star of the East"........ .... A. Kennedy
Mr. Allan Bremner.
Anthem—"House of Our God". Anonymous
Alto and Tenor Duet—"Slumber, Sweetly Slumber" .... Adam Giebel
Miss Howell and Mr. W. D. Kinnaird.

Calvary Baptist.

Rev. F. Tapscott, M. A., pastor. Morning, "Forward to Christ." Evening, "Christmas Message," and special musical service. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30; B. Y. P. U. appointment cancelled; prayer meeting Thursday evening; Victoria West Mission Sunday school entertainment Friday evening. Familiar Christmas hymns at both services.

Anthems—
"Hark, the Glad Sounds"....... Farmer
"In the Fields With Their Flocks" .... Farmer
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"...... Farmer

Burnside Baptist.

Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30; evening service at 7:30. Speaker, Mr. King. Sunday school entertainment Wednesday evening.

Emmanuel Baptist.

Rev. E. Le Roy Dakin, B. A., pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. and Bible school at 2:30 p. m. There will be special Xmas services both morning and evening, the pastor preaching suitable sermons on both occasions. Morning subject, "The Joy of Christians." The services will be concluded with a communion and covenant service. The ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the close of the evening service. All welcome.

Metropolitan Methodist.

The pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The church will be most elaborately decorated and illuminated. The sermons will be appropriate to the Xmas season. The choir will render special Christmas music. Miss C. Spencer, Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Reid will be the soloists. Classes at 10 a. m.; Sunday school and Bible classes at 2.30 p. m.; Christmas service with special music on Monday at 11 a. m. Everybody welcome to all the services.

Centennial Methodist.

Today is missionary day at Centennial. Rev. Dr. White, superintendent of Home Missions in B. C., and an ex-pastor of the church, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30. The annual public missionary meeting will be held next Thursday evening.

Music for today follows:

Morning.

Anthem—"Hark the Glad Sound"... Hall

Evening.

Anthem—"Thus Speaketh the Lord".. .... Stevens
Anthem—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" .... Sullivan
Solo—"The Dream of Peace"...... Giebel
Mr. Wm. Hicks.
The public cordially invited.

Church of Our Lord.

There will be special services both morning and evening. In the morning a special children's Christmas service, at which hymns will be sung by the Sunday scholars hymn sheets provided. In the evening a memorial service for the late Mrs. Cridge, when the rector, Rev. T. W. Gladstone will preach on "What Are These That Are Arrayed in White Robes?" Rev., vs. vii.-13 to 17, and the choir will sing Stainers setting of the same words. Service on Christmas day morning at 11, with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The music follows:

Morning.

Opening Hymn 474
Venite and Psalms 110, 132
Te Deum 2
Benedictus 4
Jubilate ....
Hymns 477, 475
Organ—March .... J. E. Newell

Evening.

Organ—Andante .... A. Foerster
Magnificat—11 .... Mercer
Nunc Dimittis—XI .... Mercer
Anthem—"What Are These?".... Stainer
Hymns 247, 239, 422
Doxology X
Organ—Adagio .... W. Metcalf

First Congregational.

Divine worship at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Hermon A. Carson, B. A., will preach. Theme for the morning, "Messages From the Manger." Evening, "God's Choicest Gift—The Living Christ—the Teacher for all Ages." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. Society at 8:15 p. m.

Music for the day follows:

Morning.

Hymns 94, 83, 87
Carol—"Let Us Go to Bethlehem".. Field
"Carol, Sweetly Carol" .... Simper

Evening.

Hymns 90, 84, 91, 187
Anthem—"The Glory of the Lord". Simper
Carol—"There Dwelt in Old Judea" .... Jackson
Carol—"Oh So Sweetly They Are Singing" .... Simper
Carol—"What Do They Say, Those Bells to Me?" .... Jackson
Solo........................ C. A. Steele

Lutheran Church.

Services this morning at the usual time in the German language. Also Sunday school. No services in the evening. On Monday there will be German services in the morning and a children's services and Xmas tree in the evening at 7 o'clock.

Y. M. C. A.

"A Great Decision," subject of address to men by Rev. E. Leroy Dakin. Meeting at 4 o'clock. All men welcome.

Craigflower Mission.

Evening prayer, with a Christmas address, will be held in the Craigflower school-house at 3 p. m. J. S. Bailey, licensed missioner.

Universal Brotherhood.

Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society Centre No. 87 holds a public meeting at 28 Broad street every Sunday evening at 8 p. m., when short addresses are given and questions answered. Addresses for today: "The New Era," "Christmas." Written questions are invited from the audience.

Christadelphians.

Bible Lecture A. O. U. W. hall at 7 p. m. Mr. Watkinson will take for his subject, "Christ in the Earth Again, His Thief-like Advent; The World Asleep." All welcome.

Church of Christ

(Christians, Disciples.) Services: 11 a.m. subject, Study, 2 Tim., ii:15; 7 p. m. subject, Death, 1 cor., xv:21. Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock, subject, Acts xiv. and xv.; Friday evening, "Song Practice." All meetings in the Odd Fellows hall, near corner North Chatham street and Fernwood road. Preaching by L. J. Keffer. All are welcome. Bring with you your Bibles and friends.

BUSINESS CHANCES

There are many business chances, but most of them require an investment of much money and time. A policy with the Imperial Life requires comparatively little in money and nothing in time and trouble. S. P. Saunders, Victoria, manager for Vancouver Island.

For a good cup of tea you can't do better than make it in one of Brown's brown teapots. They are the best tea brewers, the best pourers, the best shapes and the cheapest. Prices, 15c, 20c., to 50c. R. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street.

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In the Matter of the "Companies Winding-up Act, 1898," and Amending Acts.
And in the Matter of F. C. Davidge & Co., Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that F. C. Davidge & Co., Limited, having gone into liquidation under the above Acts, has appointed Sydney Child, Barrister-at-Law, of Law Chambers, Bastion Square, Victoria, B. C., its liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

The creditors of the above named Company are required, on or before the 18th day of January, 1906, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names or addresses of their Solicitors, if any, to the undersigned, and if so required by notice in writing, from the said liquidator, are by their Solicitors or personally, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 13th day of December, 1905.

ROBERTSON & ROBERTSON,
Of No. 32 Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the above-named Liquidator.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Grand Forks District.

Highway Bridge Over the Kettle River, Carson, B. C.

SEALED TENDERS, endorsed "Tender for Carson Bridge," will be received at the Department of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., up to noon of the 26th of December, 1905, for the wrought and cast iron work necessary for a bridge over the Kettle River, at Carson, B. C.

Drawings, specifications and conditions of tendering and contract may be seen at the office of the Public Works Engineer, Victoria, B. C., and at the office of the Provincial Timber Inspector, Court House, Vancouver, B. C., on and after the 7th instant.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the sum of $300, as security for the due fulfilment of the contract, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of the tenderers.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 4th December, 1905.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next Session, for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to acquire, purchase, construct and operate the undertakings of the Vancouver and Coast Kootenay Railway Company; the Alberni and Cowichan Railway Company; the Kamloops and Atlin Railway Company, and the Midway and Vernon Railway Company; and to acquire all the rights, powers and privileges of the said Companies; and with power to exercise all the powers contained in the Acts of Incorporation of the said Companies; and with power to acquire, purchase, construct and operate the undertaking of any other Railway Company or Companies; and with power to subscribe for and purchase the stock, bonds, debentures or other securities of any Railway Company; and to exchange the stock or other bonds, debentures or other securities of the Company to be incorporated for the shares, stock, debentures, bonds or other securities of any other Railway Company; and with power to increase the capital of the Company to be incorporated; and with power to issue shares as fully paid up; and to borrow money on the Company's assets by any form of security; and with power to promote any Railway Company or Companies, or to amalgamate with any Company or Companies; and with all the other and necessary powers conducive to the carrying out of the Company's undertaking.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 22nd day of November, 1905.

ROBERTSON & ROBERTSON,
n25 Solicitors for the Applicants.

FOR SALE

989 Shares Victoria Sealing Co., Ltd.

Par value of $12.50 per share (either whole or in part).

Sealed tenders for the above shares will be received by the Bank of Montreal, Victoria, up till 3 o'clock on Tuesday, the 26th day of December, 1905.

Highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

A. J. C. GALLETLY,
d16 Manager Bank of Montreal.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Court for a transfer to William Patterson and Isabella Patterson of my license to sell wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situate on Dallas Road, in the City of Victoria, B. C., known as the Dallas Hotel.

Dated this 20th day of December, A. D. 1905.

d22 MARION PATTERSON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an Act to revive, ratify and confirm the Cowichan-Alberni and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act, and extending the time for commencing construction of the said railway, and of expending ten per cent. of the Company's capital thereon, and to empower the Company to extend its railway from any point on its line to the City of Victoria, or to any point on Esquimalt Harbor; or in the alternative to incorporate a Company to build the line of railway set out in the Act of Incorporation of the said Company, with the extension hereinbefore mentioned, and with all the powers contained in the Model Railway Bill.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., 22nd November, 1905.

ROBERTSON & ROBERTSON,
n25 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE

Re Municipal Elections Act, and Amendment Act, 1905.

The attention of persons wishing to qualify as "Householders" or "Licenseholders" at the Municipal Election to be held in January, 1906, is called to the fact that forms of declaration may be obtained and the necessary declaration made at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas Street, within office days and office hours, between, and including, December 1 and December 30 proximo.

Attention is also called to the following provision of Section 3 of the said Act, namely: "No declaration shall be accepted by the Clerk unless it be delivered within 48 hours after it is made: Provided all declarations shall be delivered before 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the day on which the list is closed by the Clerk." Hence, Justices of the Peace, and other authorized persons, before whom the declarations will be made, are respectfully requested to NOTE THEREON THE HOUR, AS WELL AS THE DATE, when such declarations are made before them.

As the 31st day of December, 1905, is Sunday, in order to fulfil the requirements of Section 4 of the said Act, the voters' list will be closed on Saturday, the 30th day of December, 1905, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

By Order of the Municipal Council.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk.
Victoria, B. C., November 29, 1905. n30

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands:

No. 1. Commencing at a post on the Southeast end of Seymour Inlet, thence 60 chains East, thence 80 chains North, thence 100 chains West, thence 40 chains South, thence following the shore line Easterly and Southerly to the point of commencement.

No. 2. Commencing at a post located at the Northwest corner of No. 1, thence 160 chains West, thence 40 chains South to the shore line of said Seymour Inlet, thence Easterly along the shore line 160 chains to the West boundary of No. 1, thence 40 chains North to the point of commencement.

No. 3. Commencing at a post on the North shore line of said Seymour Inlet, marked "L. A.," thence 60 chains West, thence 80 chains South, thence 100 chains East to the shore line of said Inlet, thence 80 chains Westerly and Northerly along said shore line to the point of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted on the North shore line of Seymour Inlet, thence 80 chains North, thence 80 chains West, thence 80 chains South to the Northeast corner of No. 3, thence 80 chains Easterly along the shore line of said Inlet to the place of commencement.

Dated 11th December, 1905.

d14 JOHN C. SWEET.

HOTEL DIRECTORY

VICTORIA

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—118 Douglas St. Rooms to let for housekeeping from $1 up.

THE DOMINION—Victoria, B. C. Only modern first-class hotel in the city. Rates $1.50 per day and upwards. S. Jones, proprietor.

THE GORDON—Yates Street. First class in every respect. Fifty spacious, home-like rooms. Terms very moderate. Mrs. J. Aberdeen Gordon, proprietress. Tel. 1018. P. O. Box 49.

HOTEL SIDNEY — Only seventeen miles from Victoria. One of the most attractive resorts on Vancouver Island; good roads, fine boating, two-mile beach, view unsurpassed. Hotel rates, $1.50 per day. William Jensen, proprietor.

GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL—Corner Johnson and Store streets. Bar supplied with best brands of wines, liquors and cigars. Good rooms in connection. Open day and night. Lorenzo Reda, proprietor.

NEW WESTMINSTER

HOTEL COLONIAL—Opposite Court House. Best hotel in town. Rates from $1.50 up John M. Insley, proprietor.

ASHCROFT

ASHCROFT—The Grand Central; most convenient hotel in Ashcroft; sample rooms for commercial men; hot and cold baths. Representative meets trains and stages. George Ward, proprietor.

PHOENIX

HOTEL BALMORAL—The leading hotel of Boundary's leading mining camp; centrally located; good sample rooms. J. A. McMaster, proprietor. au15

TROUT LAKE

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—Best commercial house in town; good sample rooms.

GREENWOOD

WINDSOR HOTEL—The most comfortable hotel in Boundary's metropolis. European plan; cafe in connection. E. Cartier, proprietor. s6

REVELSTOKE

UNION HOTEL—First class $2 per day house. Choice brands liquors and cigars. J. Laughton, proprietor.

GRAND FORKS

YALE HOTEL—The leading hotel of the Boundary country; everything first class. A. Traunweiser, proprietor.

VANCOUVER

HOTEL METROPOLE—The most convenient to business centre, theatres, wharves and depots. Recently renovated and reconstructed. American and European plans. The place to meet your "up-country" friends. George L. Howe, proprietor. s23

HOTEL ST. ERMIN—Corner of Hastings and Abbott; a new, modern hotel, splendidly appointed and furnished. European plan. Rooms 75c. to $2.50 per day. Special rates by week. Cafe in connection. Headquarters for tourists. Mrs. L. T. Carroll, proprietress. s17

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—Corner Hastings and Cambie streets. Headquarters for mining and commercial men. Rates $2 and upwards. Haywood & Prescott, proprietors. s23

HOTEL DOMINION—Abbott Street, Vancouver, B. C. Convenient to railway and wharves. Rates, $1.25, $1.50. Free 'bus to and from all trains and boats. F. Baynes, proprietor.

HOTEL LELAND — Corner Granville and Hastings streets; one block from depot and steamship wharves; $2 a day.

HOTEL NORTH VANCOUVER—New and up-to-date; rates $2.00 a day. Special rates for families and regular boarders. Finest summer resort on the Coast. Ferry service every hour to and from this hotel, foot of Carrall street. P. Larson, Proprietor. my12

BADMINTON HOTEL—American plan, $2.00 upwards. Free Bus meets all trains and boats. No charge for baths. Phone in each room. Barber shop, etc. J. W. Wallis, Prop. o12

STRAND HOTEL—European and American plans. Rates moderate. First-class rooms and cafe in connection. One block from depot and steamboat wharves.

HOTEL BLACKBURN—A. E. Blackburn, proprietor. Rates per day: American Plan, $1.25 to $1.75; European Plan, rooms only, 50c., 75c., $1.00. Westminster and city trams pass door; electric light throughout. Free 'bus to and from hotel. Telephone 897. 318 Westminster avenue, Vancouver, B. C. o15

MELBOURNE HOTEL—John Gaugler, Proprietor. Rates, $1.00 per day up. Special rates to steady boarders. New and up to date: steam heated and electric light; excellent table. Guests receive every attention. Cars to all parts of the city pass the door. Telephone 1808. Corner Westminster avenue and Powell street, Vancouver, B. C. o15

THE DOUGALL HOUSE—Hotel Rooms, Dining and Grill Rooms. American and European Plans Popular prices. 310 to 322 Abbott street. D. Burton, prop. o15

ALHAMBRA HOTEL—Mrs. S. Thompson & Sons, Proprietors. R. D. Thompson, Manager. Corner Carrall and Water streets, Vancouver, B. C. Vancouver's first hotel, situated in the heart of the city. Modernly equipped throughout. Midday Lunch a Specialty. European Plan. Famed for Good Whiskey. o15

LARDO

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—Home for all people traveling to and from Poplar. McLachlan Bros., proprietors.

SICAMOUS

C. P. R. HOTEL—Popular resort for tourists Good boating and fishing. F. W. Padmore, proprietor.

VERNON

GOLDSTREAM HOTEL—Opposite station. Special inducements to commercial travelers.

PENTICTON

THE B. C. HOTEL—Homeseekers will find best accommodation here. New hotel. Rates from $1.00 to $1.50 per day. Percy Marks, proprietor. au1

CALGARY, ALBERTA.

VICTORIA HOTEL—Headquarters for British Columbians; European and American plans; the most modern hotel in Calgary. Adams & Peers, proprietors. au26

BANFF, ALBERTA

THE SANITARIUM HOTEL—Recently enlarged and refurnished. Private hospital and bathing establishment in connection. Open all the year. R. G. Brett, M. D., medical director. W. A. Macfarlane, manager. au26

AGASSIZ

HOTEL BELLA VISTA—Tourists' and sportsmen's headquarters. Five miles from Harrison Hot Springs. Rate $1.50 to $2.00 per day, or $8.00 per week. Mrs. Probert, proprietress. C. Inkman, manager. jy9

NELSON

HUME HOTEL—The leading commercial house of the Kootenays. F. Hume, proprietor.

STRATHCONA HOTEL — Strictly first class; headquarters for tourists doing British Columbia. B. Tompkins, manager.

ROSSLAND

HOTEL ALLEN—Stop at the Hotel Allen, the leading house of Rossland.

HEDLEY

COMMERCIAL HOTEL—Headquarters for the prospectors and miners of the Similkameen. Rates $8 per week; board and room, $1.50 per day. H. W. Yates, proprietor.

HOTEL SIMILKAMEEN—The largest and most modern hotel in the Similkameen; all conveniences, electric light, telephone, baths, etc.; sample rooms. Rates $2.50 per day. A. McDermott, proprietor. jy30

MIDWAY.

SPOKANE HOTEL—L. E. Salter, proprietor. The largest and most centrally located hotel in Midway. Rates, $1.00 to $2.00. Sample rooms. Free bus. au20

NOTICE.

Fairfield Road is closed to vehicular traffic between Cemetery Gate and St. Charles Street, from Monday, the 11th instant, until further orders.

C. H. TOPP,
n10 City Engineer.

NOTICE—The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act extending the time for commencing and completing an extension of its main line to Comox and the branches referred to in its Act of Incorporation, and also empowering the Company to construct and operate a railway from Comox to a point at or near Campbell River; also a branch from its main line at or near Duncans via Cowichan Valley to Alberni; also branch from a point at or near Englishman's River to Alberni Canal, and a branch from a point at or near Comox via Cumberland southwesterly to Alberni Canal, and giving the Company general powers to construct branch lines and for other purposes.

Dated at Victoria this 14th day of December, 1905.

W. F. SALSBURY,
d17 Secretary E. & N. Railway.

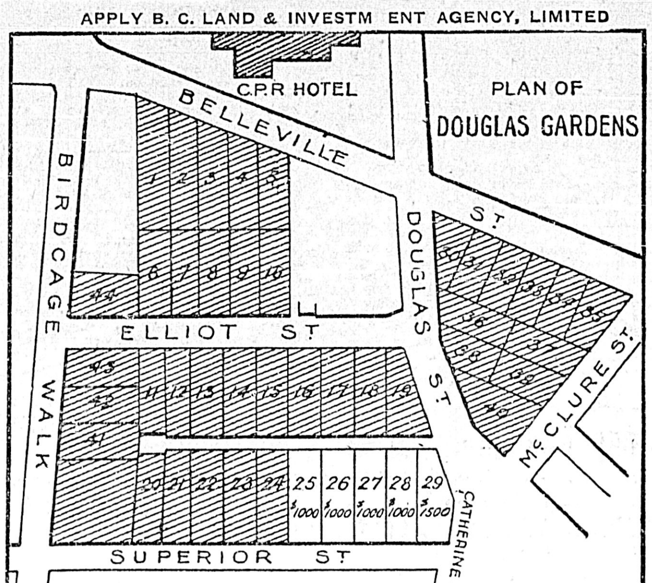
NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for an act incorporating a Company with power to carry on the business of Life Insurance; and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges in that behalf.

Dated 30th November, 1905.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
n30 Solicitors for Applicant.

DOUGLAS GARDENS - - - - - ONLY 5 LOTS LEFT

APPLY B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LIMITED



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P. R. Brown Co., Ltd

30 BROAD STREET.

CALL FOR A LIST OF OUR ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DWELLINGS FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2½ acres, Oak Bay, house, outbuildings, beautiful view of the sea. (711.)

FOR SALE—Handsome bungalow and two lots, Oak Bay avenue, all modern conveniences. (692.)

FOR SALE—A five roomed cottage and two lots, on car line; price $2,000, easy terms. (614.)

FOR SALE—150 acres, Saanich District, 40 cultivated, 200 fruit trees, large house, barns and several outbuildings; price $6,500 cash. (2815.)

FOR SALE—Two good water front lots, worth looking into. (2248.)

FOR SALE—Many cheap lots, on the new Gorge car line.

FOR SALE—Two acres of choice land, at Shoal Bay. (2215.)

FOR SALE—New modern dwelling of eight rooms, may be had at a very reasonable price, is centrally located; all modern conveniences, $2,400. (591.)

FOR SALE—South Saanich, 11 miles from city, 50 acres, of which 35 are cultivated, 8 roomed house, barns, 20 fruit trees; price and terms on application. (2771.)

FOR SALE—Somenos District, 120 acres, 5 acres under hay, 30 acres fenced, 60 fruit trees, 8 roomed house, stock and furniture at a bargain. (2754.)

FOR SALE—Lake Hill Estate, 10 acres, all fenced, seven acres cleared (3133.)

FOR SALE—In centre of city, large modern dwelling and three city lots, having a frontage on two principal streets, well adapted for large boarding house, school or hospital; cost $19,500; our price, $10,500. (632.)

FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, handsome modern bungalow and three lots; reasonable price. (532.)

TO LEASE—Eight miles from the city, 125 acres, of which 65 are under cultivation, 6 roomed dwelling, two large barns, stock and implements may be purchased.

FOR SALE—Three and a half acres and cottage, half an acre of fruit, stable and all necessary outbuildings; this is within easy reach of the car, and for sale at a very reasonable price. (313P.)

FOR SALE—Choice building site, 100x133; assessed value, $1,150; our price is only $700. (2245.)

FOR SALE—Seven and a half acres, in Mount Tolmie; this is well situated for a retired gentleman. (3111.)

FOR SALE—7½ acres and large dwelling, in the fashionable part of town; $25,000. (693.)

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, cheap lots sold on the instalment plan of 20 per cent. cash. (2116.)

FOR SALE—The only choice lots left in the Douglas Gardens. (2095.)

FOR SALE—Malahat District, 100 acres bottom land, balance light gravel, 1½ storey dwelling, two barns, 10 acres fenced, and three acres cultivated; 50 fruit trees in bearing; price $1,500. (2793.)

MONEY TO LOAN, Fire Insurance Written, Estates Managed.

JUST ISSUED—Revised list of farms for sale, in all parts of the province; call or write for one.

Phone 1076. P. O. Box 428

P. R. BROWN CO., LTD.,
30 Broad St., Victoria.

E. A. HARRIS & CO.

35 FORT STREET

FARMS.

$4,000—28 acres, 19 cultivated; good 5 room house, outbuildings, orchard; 5 miles out. Terms.

$2,600—17 acres, all cultivated; good fruit land; 3 miles out.

$3,150—30 acres, 15 cultivated; cottage, orchard; good water; 5 miles out.

$6,200—17 acres, all cultivated; fine 10 room house, orchard; facing sea.

$1,700—8 acres, 2½ cultivated; cottage, 100 fruit trees; 6 miles out; facing sea.

$4,200—20 acres, 12 cultivated; 5 room cottage; 4 miles out. Terms.

$4,500—14 acres, all cultivated; cottage and outbuildings; near sea.

$6,500—150 acres, 45 cultivated; good 11 room house; 2 orchards.

$2,800—110 acres, 10 cultivated; 4 room cottage; fine stream; 6 miles out.

$6,300—230 acres, 100 cultivated; good land.

$3,000—70 acres, all good bottom land, 23 cultivated, 50 fenced; Cowichan.

$800—100 acres unimproved; good land; South Saanich.

$1,000—8 acres; small cottage; Deadman's River.

$11,500—317 acres, 90 cultivated; 5 room cottage; good land.

$2,000—200 acres, 10 cultivated; cottage, orchard; Cobble Hill.

$2,000—75 acres; 6 room cottage, with furniture; barn; good water; Hill Bank. Terms.

$800—70 acres, 10 slashed; new 3 room cottage; Westholme.

REAL ESTATE

B.C. Land & Investment Agency Ltd.

40 GOVERNMENT STREET.

FREDERICK ST.—Nice sunny lot, 45x135. $750. Terms.

ANOTHER ISLAND—Contains 65 acres, 6 acres cultivated, 20 acres in pasture; 8 roomed house, many outbuildings. $2,500. Steam launch, etc., for sale also.

$500—Two lots, Heywood avenue, adjoining the Park; 60x120 each; rich black loam and under cultivation.

STORE TO LET—Johnson street; large store, near Wharf street; $10 per month.

FOR SALE—7 roomed modern dwelling, just off car line; sewer connections, bath and stable; good cellar; fruit trees, etc. Terms $1,350.

FOR SALE—Government street, near the Fountain, lots from $500 up. Easy terms.

FARM FOR SALE—300 acres, 90 under cultivation, balance rough grazing; all necessary buildings; 25 head cattle, 6 good horses, farming implements, etc., etc.; only 11 miles from Victoria. This is a first class farm in every respect, and pays well.

$1,250 will buy a 4 roomed modern cottage and lot within 5 minutes' walk of centre of city. Terms.

WATER LOT—$800 will buy a water lot on St. Lawrence street, James Bay.

$1,000—Two lots, $1,000 each, near Douglas street and C. P. R. hotel.

$700—Lot Humboldt street, 60x120.

GORGE ROAD—Close in piece of land equal to 3 lots, for $1,000.

$400—Lot on Toronto street, near Menzies. Can have sewer connection.

VICTORIA WEST—$1,300—5 roomed cottage; electric light, etc., large corner lot, with orchard. Easy terms.

CHEAP BUSINESS LOT—Lot corner Government and Pembroke streets, for sale cheap, to close an estate.

FIFTH ST.—$150. 2 lots 60x135 each; no rock; nicely situated. $150 each.

$100 CASH and $25 per month will buy a good $3,000 2 storey dwelling, with basement, brick and stone foundation, and all modern improvements.

CHEAP LOTS—Fairfield Estate. $100 for lots 50x120; water lots $200 each. $10 cash. $10 per month; interest 4 per cent. only; best of soil.

JAMES BAY—Full sized lots, $400 each; well located. $50 cash, $10 per month.

SIMCOE ST.—Lot 60x240, all cleared, excellent soil; only $800.

INSTALMENT PLAN—Houses for sale on this plan all over the city. Why pay rent when you can buy a home on the terms we offer?

FARM—Beautifully situated on Vancouver Island; ½ mile of water frontage; 30 acres under crop, which is tile drained and all fenced; 1 acre in orchard; 1 acre in garden; handsome modern dwelling; outbuildings; brooder house; $2,500 worth of live stock, implements and crop on hand; good fishing and shooting; only 3 miles from railway station. Price $15,000. Full particulars at office.

ACREAGE BARGAINS—5 acres, all cleared and fenced; also 7 acres, chiefly cleared and in high state of cultivation, at sacrifice prices to close an estate.

BEACON HILL—Lots 50x150 each, facing the Park, $900 each; also 1 lot 46x150, $800; corner lot for $900.

FOUL BAY—Water lots for sale. Call for particulars. je16

$800—5 roomed cottage, and lot 50x120, stable and chicken house; a few fruit trees; insured for $700. A bargain.

FIRST ST.—$250. Two lots 50x133 each, at this price per lot, near King's road.

THIRD ST.—$300. Lot 50x133, front and back entrance.

FOURTH ST.—$350. Lot 50x133, between Bay street and King's road.

HILLSIDE FARM ESTATE—Lots $50 and upwards; also acreage in small parcels of from one to five acres; all cleared and under cultivation, at bed rock prices.

SIXTH ST.—2 lots, corner. $400 each.

10 ACRES—6 room cottage, barn and outbuildings; 9 miles from city.

? ACRES adjoining the Park, all under cultivation; nice building site; only $2,800. A bargain.

10 ACRES—All under cultivation; very handy to city and close to car line. Will subdivide. Terms.

DOUGLAS GARDENS—Only five lots left. Price $1,000 each.

250 LOTS on Garbally road, just off Gorge road. $250 each; 153 feet deep. Terms if necessary.

$800 COTTAGE, Victoria West, in good order; handy to car.

$950 COTTAGE—5 rooms, cornet lot with stable. $50 cash, $15 per month.

$1,000 NIAGARA ST.—6 roomed house, sewer connections. $300 cash, $15 per month.

ISLAND FOR SALE—A whole island for $500; 4 acres cultivated; 3 roomed house and outbuildings.

SALT SPRING ISLAND—154 acres, 10 under cultivation; orchard, running stream of water; small house.

FARMS FOR SALE—Ask for printed list.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of John Humphreys, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," that all creditors of the Estate of the said deceased are required on or before the 9th day of January, 1906, to send particulars of their claims duly verified to the undersigned, solicitors for Thomas A. Wood and Henry Evans Evans, executors of the said estate; and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.
DATED at Victoria, B. C., this 30th day of November, 1905.
DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
20 Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said Executors. d1

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at their next sitting as a Licensing Court for a transfer of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises situate on Douglas Street, in the City of Victoria, and known as the Vernon Hotel, to Forbes George Vernon.
Dated this 16th day of November, 1905.
MARION PATTERSON.

Handy Telephone Calls

CABINET MAKERS
DICKSON & HOWES, Cabinet Makers and Joiners. 131 Johnson street. **1165**

J. LISTER, Carpenter and Builder. All kinds of jobbing Work. Workshop and residence, Tolmie avenue. Phone **1193**

PLUMBING
JOHN COLBERT, Plumbing, Heating and Sheet Metal Works. 4 Broad Street. **552**

REAL ESTATE
P. R. BROWN LTD., 89 Broad St. For a Dwelling, Furnished or Unfournished. **1076**

Grant & Conyers

No. 2 View St. (opposite main entrance to Driard Hotel).

HALF ACRE of garden and fruit, with a good cottage. A snap for $1,500.

PRETTY COTTAGE—Good location (central); electric light, sewer, bath, hot and cold water, conservatory and beautiful garden, full of fruit and flowers. This is a "good buy." Call and get particulars.

HALF ACRE of fine garden and young orchard, with small, newly erected cottage. Only $1,300.

HANDSOME RESIDENCE—Near Oak Bay, with eight rooms, bath, sewer, electric light; two acres of splendid garden, with fruit and flowers, and a stable, chicken houses, etc. This is a fine home at the right price.

TWO LOTS with a small cottage, on Fort street, for $400.

SOME OF THE FINEST building sites in the "Work Estate," at nominal prices.

TWO FINE LOTS near the car line on Fort street, for $275.

MODERN BUNGALOW in "East End," with six rooms, bath, electric light, cement walks, and all modern conveniences (just completed.) Only $2,400.

FINE MODERN BUNGALOW, with all modern conveniences, on Belcher street. This is one of the most charming homes in the city. Call and get particulars. (It will pay you.)

Fire and Life Insurance Agents. Money to loan in sums to suit, at low interest.

J. Stuart Yates

22 BASTION STREET.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Land close to Gorge tramway terminus, in quantities to suit intending purchaser.

FINE 5 ACRE BLOCKS between Gorge and Burnside roads, on easy terms.

CRAIGIE LEA FARM, comprising 140 acres, with dwelling house, 4 acre orchard and farm buildings.

LOTS 198 and 199, Victoria City, with 9 store buildings, at assessed valuation.

79 ACRES of fine land fronting on Sooke Harbor.

GOOD BUILDING lots in Esquimalt town.

SECTION 16, Esquimalt District, fronting on Royal Roads.

TO RENT—Large wharf at foot of Yates street, with large commodious sheds.

Pemberton & Son

Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents, 45 Fort Street, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE.

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT—196 acres; level land, suitable for chicken raising. Price $15 per acre.

McNEILLS BAY—2 acres of splendid land, fronting on and overlooking the bay, for sale at a reasonable figure.

OAK BAY AVENUE—5 acres within 150 yards of the avenue; splendid building site, with good land; $550 per acre.

ST. CHARLES STREET—1 acre of good land; $900.

CEDAR HILL—11 roomed house with all conveniences; 5 acres of land, all in orchard. This is a splendid property.

CAREY ROAD—3 acres of very fair land near Garnham P. O.; $350.

FOURTH STREET—Over 2 acres of good land, cleared and fenced; would make a splendid building site. Price $2,000.

Beaumont Boggs,

Real Estate & Insurance Agent, 42 Fort St.

FARM of 240 acres, 25 cultivated, 40 pasture; small house, large barn. Price only $1,800.

144 ACRES, 35 cleared; 8 room house, barns, orchard; water frontage. Price $1,800.

3½ ACRES, with cottage and orchard; 5 minutes' walk from tram. Price $3,000.

TO LET—Furnished house on Fort street. Rent, $27.

FOR SALE—New dwelling, overlooking water; modern in every way. Price $3,000.

FARMS—Call for new "Home List"—contains details for best farms for sale on Vancouver Island.

Swinerton & Oddy

Financial and Insurance Agents. Notaries Public.
102 GOVERNMENT STREET.

A BARGAIN!

2 STOREY HOUSE; 6 rooms; sewer connection; brick foundation. COTTAGE—3 rooms, corner lot 60x120, assessed at $3,500. Price for the two, only $2,800. Situate on Johnson street, near Methodist church.

6 ROOMED COTTAGE—Electric light, hot water connections, 2 lots 54x134; concrete sidewalk. Only $2,500.

$1,700—Nice cottage; good location on Yates street; electric light, sewer connection. Easy terms, $200 cash, balance monthly instalments of $20, at 6 per cent. interest.

$2,000—Well finished cotage; 6 rooms; good location, Yates street; electric light, sewer connection. $300 cash, balance, monthly instalments of $25 at 6 per cent.

10 ACRES—9 miles out, 4 acres cleared; 4 roomed dwelling; 80 fruit trees. Price, including horse, rig, farming implements, furniture and poultry, only $1,200.

154 ACRES—10 cleared, 10 slashed; dwelling, barn 50x40; orchard, 150 trees bearing; situate Salt Spring Island. The owner wishing to dispose of this at once, has reduced price to $1,000. This is a bargain.

5 AND 10 ACRE BLOCKS close to city. MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGE.

$15,000 on business property; also sums from $500 upwards.

The Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd.

36 Broad Street

TO LET—7 room houses, Stanley avenue; every convenience. $18 per month.

FOR SALE—Two acre lots on St. Charles street. Only $1,800.

FOR SALE—6 room house on Green street. Only $1,200; $300 cash, balance on mortgage at 6 per cent.

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Lionel Terry's Hatred of Chinese

Strange Plea by Former Wellington Miner Who Shot Old Chinaman.

Was Sentenced to Life Imprisonment for Calling Attention to Alien Immigration.

Lionel Terry, the Socialist who was well known at Wellington mines, who was sentenced to imprisonment for life for murdering a Chinese in Wellington, New Zealand, last September, said in his address to the jury, according to a report received by the steamer Miowera: "Terry referred to the case as being Rex versus Terry, and expressed strong objection to his majesty being placed in the position of protector of unnaturalised race aliens in British possessions. He again reiterated his confession, and expressed regret that the drastic measure he had adopted in order to attract attention to the evils consequent upon alien immigration had been regarded by some as the result of mental aberration. He admitted the rumors as to his sanity were excusable, in view of the extraordinary nature of the case, more especially as the dangers of Asiatic invasion appeared to be little appreciated by the people of New Zealand. It was obvious that should such rumors obtain general belief the reforms he was endeavoring to establish might be seriously delayed. He wished therefore, to deny all such rumors or statements. He declared he had never suffered from sunstroke, or any other ailment, and went on to urge the shipment of the alien population to England or Africa, where they would be welcomed. He declared his action was the result of careful deliberation, impelled by merciful considerations for all concerned. Several years' careful study in various parts of the world convinced him that the necessity for the complete and absolute separation of the races was imperative. He decided, with a view of forcing the matter to an issue, to adopt a strong method of making his resolution understood. When the life of a country was at stake drastic measures were imperatively necessary. He declared he would never recognize any law which sought to protect the people of an alien race in British countries, and in taking the life of the Chinaman he challenged the alleged law of his country to prove its existence. This he had done in full view of the possible consequence, which he was prepared to accept. He urged that the laws of one race beneficially control and govern those of another; therefore, it must be unlawful for people of two or more distinct races to dwell together in the same country; therefore, there could be no law which afforded protection to, or, in any way recognized the presence of, or referred to, unnaturalized race aliens in British possessions. His reply to the charge that he killed this alien contrary to the form or statute in such case made and provided was that the Chinaman, being a race alien, was not a man within the meaning of the statute. If he were held to be right he claimed his freedom; if held to be wrong he should have failed in his purpose. He demanded the full penalty of the alleged law.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy, on the grounds that the prisoner was not responsible for his actions, as he was suffering mentally from a craze caused by his intense hatred towards the mixing of British and alien races.

ISLAND FREIGHT RATES.

Vigorous Protest Lodged by Cumberland Merchants.

The question of freight rates is not confined exclusively to Vancouver, says the Nanaimo Herald. Other places in the province have their grievances and the little city of Cumberland is one of them. Cumberland, of course, not being situated on any through line of railway, and about six miles back from the sea coast, cannot be said to enjoy the most likely situation in the world for cheap freight. Their merchandise has to be shipped from Vancouver to Nanaimo, Nanaimo to Union Bay, and Union Bay to Cumberland, making not only a long and awkward haul, but very expensive as as well and there has been no little grumbling of late at the freight charges.

Yesterday saw the first actual practical protest against the rates that has as yet been attempted, and it was made by Messrs. Riggs & Whyte, large general merchants of Cumberland. They had a shipment of 75 tons of general goods from Vancouver, and instead of shipping it via Nanaimo and Union Bay they had it loaded on a scow and towed by a tugboat direct to Courtenay, from where it will be taken by teams to Cumberland. As a complement to this scheme of transportation Messrs. Riggs & Whyte have opened a store at Courtenay for the supply of their Comox valley trade, and as a large amount of business is done in the settlement it is calculated that the amount of carrying they will do between Courtenay and Cumberland will not be very much more than they do now. The scow was taken up the Courtenay river as far as Courtenay and the merchandise landed at a wharf constructed to receive it.

Just how this move will affect Nanaimo is as yet uncertain. If the C. P. R. and Colliery Company get together and arrange a better rate it is not likely that any harm will come of it, but if not there can scarcely be any doubt that other merchants of Cumberland will be getting freight over in the same way and it may ultimately result in the establishment of a regular transfer service.

GRAND FORKS GOSSIP.

News of the Mining Camps in the Boundary District.

Grand Forks, Dec. 20.—The Trail Smelter Company is now working forty men at their big lime quarry at Cascade and will continue work there all winter.

Word has just reached here that the Napoleon property near Marcus on the reservation, which was recently bonded by the B. C. Copper Company, is shipping ore to the Boundary Falls smelter.

The C. P. R. is at present putting in a spur to reach the Gold-drop property, one of the Granby Company's holdings. It is expected that the spur will be finished and ready for use in a few weeks' time.

Owing to the exceedingly soft weather during the last few days the amateur athletic association has not been able to open their skating rink yet, which is now all ready with the exception of the ice.

Sam Horner, contractor of this place, has just purchased a valuable location in Glauster camp called the Dawn. It is reported that there are over four hundred feet of ore in sight on this property. It is reported that active development work will be commenced at once.

It is reported here today that the well-known Pathfinder property will resume operations immediately, and it is hinted that important changes regarding this mine may be announced very soon. The Pathfinder is one of the oldest locations up the North Fork and possesses a mammoth showing of surface ore.

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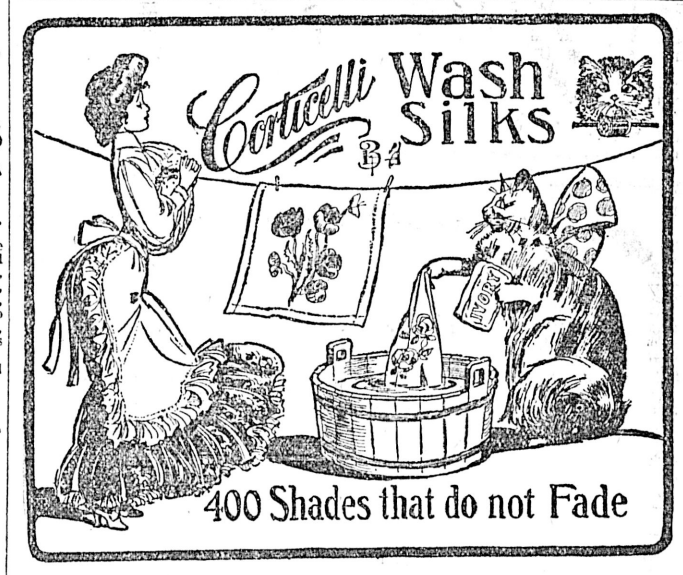

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